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THE OCCUPATION OF CHINCHOW

JAPANESE FORCES TAKE OVER THE CITY

GENERAL HONJO'S PLANS

FORCES ALLOTTED TO PROTECT RAILWAY LINES.

The first reports concerning the occupation of Chinchow were conflicting. One stated that the city was occupied early on Saturday morning, another denied this, yet a third stated Chinchow was to be occupied to-day (Sunday). A fourth, however, apparently confirms that the city was occupied yesterday afternoon.

Whatever may be the actual state of affairs, there seems no doubt whatever, from the information to hand, that, if Chinchow has not already been occupied by Japanese forces, it is General Honjo's intention to take over the city at an early date.

It is known now that Japanese forces have crossed the Taling river and are within ten miles of Chinchow meeting with no opposition, and that General Honjo has so disposed of troops under his command as to protect adequately his occupation when he takes over the city.

Tokyo, Yesterday. The newspaper Nichi Nichi reports that the vanguard of Japanese forces entered Chinchow this morning at six o'clock, but reports from Kuopangtse deny this.

According to a special despatch to the newspaper Asahi from Mukden, the Japanese have decided to enter Chinchow on Sunday morning, after sending aircraft to drop handbills telling the citizens no harm is intended to them.

Other reliable quarters report that the Japanese forces have crossed the Taling River and are now within ten miles of Chinchow meeting with no opposition and no more serious fighting is expected.

Definitely Occupied. Japanese forces are reported to have entered Chinchow at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Honjo's Disposition of Forces. Press despatches state that General Honjo has decided that the Japanese should take over the policing of Chinchow and the surrounding districts, as the Chinese officials hitherto responsible for the maintenance of peace and order have withdrawn to the eastward with the Chinese garrison.

He has also decided that General Muro's division from Korea should be responsible for the guarding of the railway lines between Chinchow and Shanhai-kum; General Tamon's division should guard the line between Chinchow and Kuopangtse; while General Mura's brigade guards the section between Kuopangtse and Mukden.—Reuter.

SOLUTION TO MANCHURIAN PROBLEM.

Give Japan a Mandate.

London, Yesterday. Writing in the January Army Quarterly, Brigadier General C. D. Bruce suggests that Japan be granted a mandate for Manchuria, similar to those for Iraq, Syria, and Trans-Jordan, to be held under the League of Nations, or under the Powers participating in the Pact of Paris, or the 1921 Nine-Power Pact of Washington.

Under such a mandate the rights of China and Russia will receive due consideration.—Reuter.

EXTRALITY.

Comment by the Financial Times.

WISE STEP.

London, Yesterday.

By postponing the assumption of jurisdiction over foreigners, the Government of China has avoided both political trouble and financial loss, says the Financial Times. It will be wise to take no further steps until an agreement has been reached with Foreign Powers. Until China can show herself both willing and able to establish a proper civil code, it must retard that economic advancement which in the national interest it seeks to promote. China has now an opportunity to reconsider the gravity of the issues which a flouting of the treaty rights of extraterritorial jurisdiction would have raised, and to help formulate a scheme which, while according due recognition to the claims of Chinese sovereignty, shall be conformable with the maintenance and profitable association with the country by foreigners.—Reuter.

IDLE LIST.

Steadily Decreasing at Home.

LONG WAY TO GO.

London, Yesterday.

Following the impetus given to trade by the depreciation of sterling and the special measures taken by the Government, the numbers of unemployed in Great Britain are steadily decreasing.

There is a long way to go yet, however, the numbers being still above those of a year ago.

The Ministry of Labour announces that the decrease in unemployment in the third week in December was nearly 70,000.

On December 21 the registers contained the names of 2,000,000 persons totally unemployed, 400,000 temporarily unemployed, and 100,000 normally in casual employment.

This makes a total of 2,500,000 or 90,000 above the figures for 1930 for the same period.—Reuter.

TAKING NO RISK

"Congress House" Vacated.

DOCUMENTS REMOVED.

Gandhi's Arrest Anticipated.

Bombay, Yesterday. Urgent measures have been taken by the Congress Working Committee in anticipation of the possible issue of a special Ordinance leading to the arrest of Gandhi and other prominent Congress leaders.

The local Congress Executive have practically vacated the "Congress House," which was seized in the later stages of the last movement, and removed the documents to a place of safety.

The Working Committee have passed a series of resolutions, including one authorising the President to appoint a successor in the event of the arrest of Gandhi.—Reuter.

A FINE SUNDAY.

The Royal Observatory's weather report last night stated:

The anti-cyclone, remains central over the Lower Yangtze Valley but has decreased slightly in intensity. The depression is central to the E.N.E. of Tokyo, moving Eastward.

Forecast: N. E. winds, moderate; fine.

BOMB FOR SOONG?

Found in House Recently Vacated.

BOY INJURED.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

What appears to have been an attempt on the life of Mr. T. V. Soong was discovered to-day, when a fifteen-year old gardener's boy was seriously injured while examining backyard of a residence in the French Concession from where Mr. Soong had removed a few days ago. The object was a bomb which exploded mutilating the boy's head and arms.—Reuter.

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BISHOP MOWLL HELD UP BY BANDITS

HIT ON THE HEAD AND STABBED IN THE BACK

PLUNDERED OF VALUABLES

PISTOLS FIRED OFF ABOVE THEIR HEADS.

A policeman's lot is said to be an unhappy one, but does it compare with that of the missionary in China? How many missionaries have lost their lives at the hands of bandits? How many have been robbed and brutally treated? We cannot answer those questions offhand, but the numbers are great.

To-day we regret to have to record yet another unhappy incident, fortunately unattended with loss of life. Nevertheless, sympathy will be felt for Bishop Mowl, Mrs. Mowl and party in their recent unhappy experience.

The Bishop and his lady, who had but recently returned from furlough, were making their way to his diocese, when held up by bandits on a river. They were intimidated, assaulted, and robbed of their money, valuables and overcoats. Mrs. Mowl was struck on the head with the butt end of a pistol, and the Bishop, in addition to similar treatment, was stabbed in the back. Fortunately the wounds inflicted on the two were not of a serious nature.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Rev. Howard Mowl and party have been held up at pistol point, assaulted, and plundered, when travelling in a native boat from Chongking to Chengtu on returning from furlough spent in England. To reach his diocese Rev. Howard Mowl had travelled several thousand miles from Shanghai via Haiphong, Yunnan, Suifu, and Chongking, thence embarking on small native boats bound for Chengtu. The party were almost at their journey's end, when their boats were boarded by a party of Chinese, who first thought them to be Government tax officials.

Suddenly the leader drew a revolver and ordered the party to put their hands up, and demanded their valuables, while other of the bandits fired off pistols over the heads of the foreigners in order to hasten compliance. The Bishop and Mrs. Mowl were struck on their heads with the butt ends of revolvers causing scalp wounds. The Bishop, also, was stabbed in the back. The wounds received by the Bishop and his wife were fortunately not serious. The party were robbed of money, rings, watches, and overcoats.—Reuter.

The Rt. Rev. Howard West Kilvington Mowl, M.A., D.D., has been Bishop in Western China since 1926, having been Assistant Bishop from 1923 to 1926. The eldest son of the late H. Martyn Mowl of Chalderscot, he was born in Dover on February 2, 1890. He was educated at King's School, Canterbury; King's College and Ridley Hall, Cambridge. He was tutor at Wycliffe College, Toronto, from 1912 to 1916; Professor, 1916-1917; T.C.F., 1918-18; Dean, Wycliffe College, 1919-22. In 1924 he was married to Dorothy, daughter of the late Rev. John Martin of the C.M.S. in Fukien.

WORLD ECONOMICS.

Striking Remarks by Sir Walter Layton.

THE TARIFF ISSUE.

Rugby, Friday.

Striking observations upon world economic problems were made by Sir Walter Layton, the prominent economist, in addressing the Anglo-French Studies Association in London to-day.

Sir Walter Layton emphasised the danger of hampering international trade by tariff barriers and declared that while gold was useful for settling small dealings, it was in effect merely spare cash in the till and could not settle indebtedness between nations engaged in lending or supplying large quantities of goods one to the other.

Some solution of the tariff issue, which was getting worse, must be found. The financial crisis had aggravated it, for there were in many countries not only tariffs but absolute strangle hold on trade through exchange control. Every conceivable device was being operated by each country trying to save itself, but meanwhile strangling its neighbour.

The world's commerce, he said, was down to something like half its volume of two years ago. Tariffs had played havoc with capital and produced quite unexpected results regarding payment of debts and reparations. They could have been paid in goods but they were not, and had produced great movements of gold and the resultant chaos.

RECORD FALL.

Returns of Bankers' Clearing Houses.

STRIKING FIGURES.

London, Yesterday.

The serious effects of the adverse economic conditions which worked throughout the year are clearly indicated by the returns of the bankers' clearing house.

These show a decrease of over £7,000,000,000 compared with 1930, the clearing in 1931 being £36,235,869,000.

A decrease was shown in every month of the year, but the most marked decline was during the last quarter when 43 per cent. of the total decrease occurred.

The year's total clearances were the lowest since 1921.—Reuter.

Sir Walter Layton said that the gold standard, from which other countries might have to depart before very long, could not be reinstated until the reparations problem was regularised in such a way that any reparation paid was paid in goods. That meant there must be some sanity in tariff questions. "The key may be that we shall have to form a group of countries which have common understanding in regard to their money and at the same time have understanding in regard to what is sensible tariff policy. It does not mean that in every country there has to be free trade. At present we have to aim at a group of the same tariff countries."—British Wireless Service.

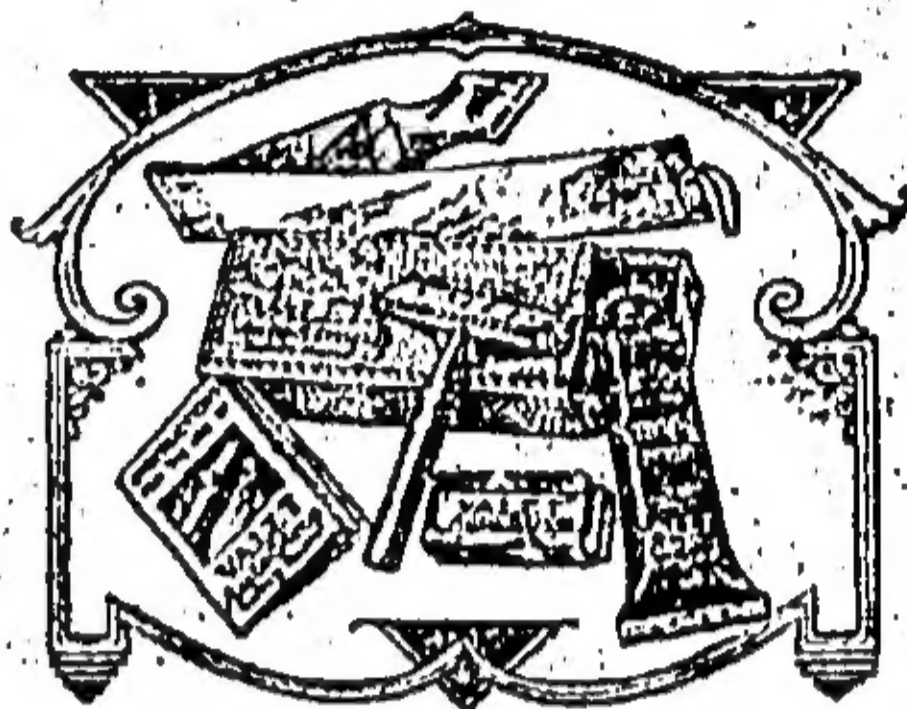
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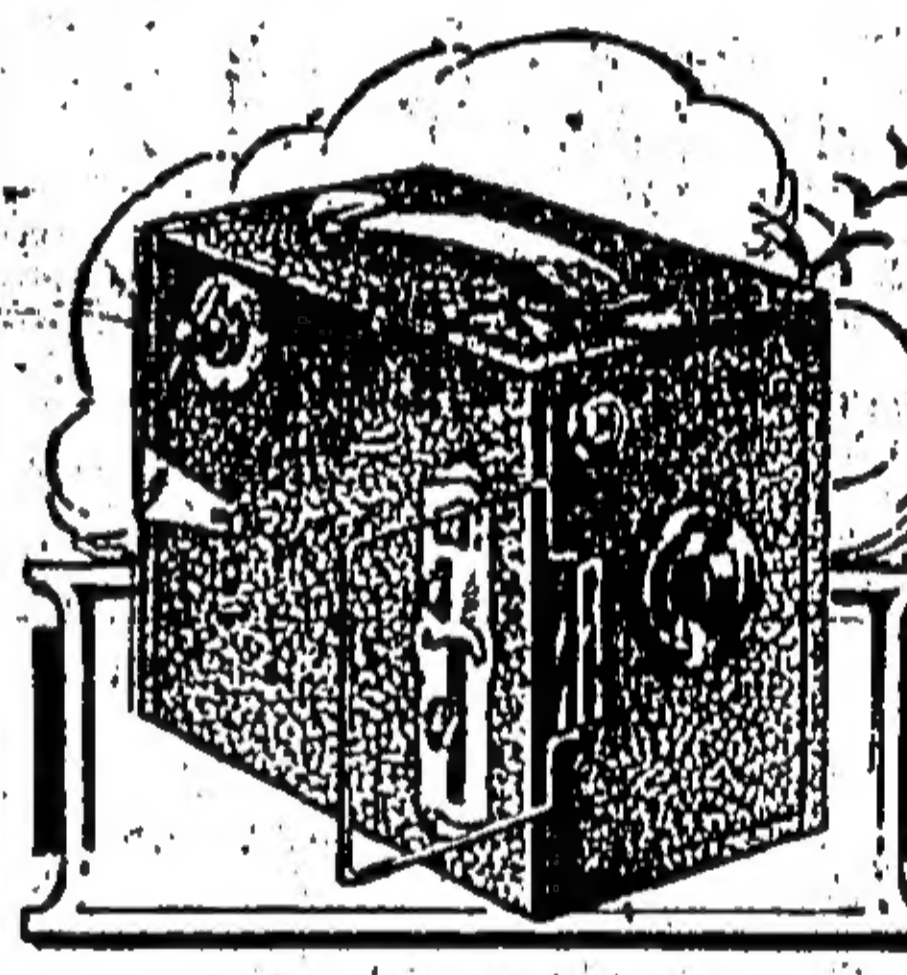
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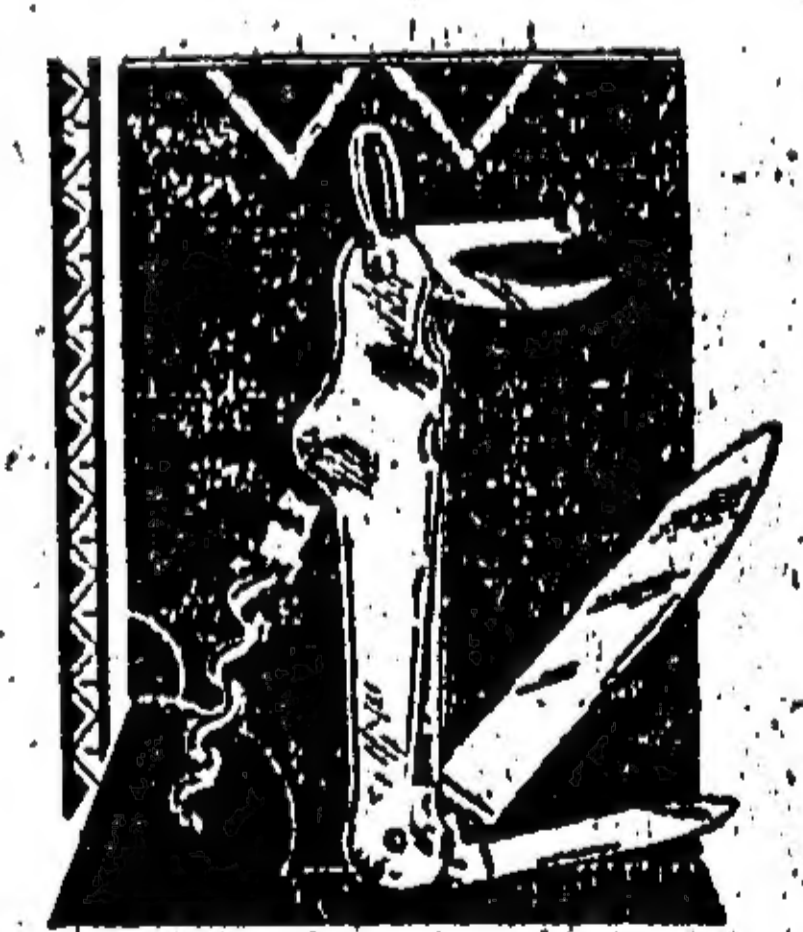
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IF YOU WERE WORLD DICTATOR WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

PROBLEM BESET BY MANY DANGERS

WHAT I SHOULD ATTEMPT TO ACHIEVE IN THE INTERESTS OF HUMANITY

FAMILIARISING THE EAST WITH THE WEST

[By H. H. the Aga Khan]

Have you ever sunk down in the depths of an easy chair and dreamed of what you would achieve if you were a World Dictator and how you would improve conditions? It is a very big problem which cannot be blundered into without first analysing the greatest needs of the world to-day and then dealing with the lesser important factors which lend weight to the perfect harmony of a well-balanced machine.

His Highness, the Aga Khan, one of the leading figures at the Round Table Conference, attempts the colossal task of remodelling the world in a heroic manner. Speaking as a child of the East with a Western education and with it an insight into the European mind he states his case in brief but remarkably accurate terms. Education, the key-note to perfect understanding is the corner-stone of his soliloquy. The necessity for the people of the East obtaining a rudimentary knowledge of the ways of their brothers on the other side of the world can easily be overcome by education. First and foremost comes the need for the learning of the respective languages and mutual understanding will of a necessity follow.

If you were Dictator you would probably omit several of his reforms and might even have a host more to add, but just a moment's thought will be sufficient to tell you that here is no idle saying, but the confidences of an extremely brilliant man.

It is a commonplace of contemporary history that the Great War opened the floodgates of the troubles from which we still suffer. So I should deem it my first duty as Dictator to make, as nearly as can be, impossible the overwhelming calamity of another world war, and to rectify the acknowledged errors of the peace concluded twelve years ago. To this end the demilitarisation of the world by the abolition of national armies and navies would be a first essential.

I know that authority must in the final resort rest upon force, but the force I would provide would be international—owned. For purposes of internal peace, national police and gendarmerie would be ample. Ordinary voluntary forces could be established for aiding the police on occasions of sudden necessity. These might be enrolled and placed under the local authorities who would co-operate with the police if any abnormal need arose through internal disturbances.

There would be freedom of the air and of the seas with international aerial and naval patrol to prevent air raids and any return to the piracy of former days. Thus the real army, the air and sea forces, the striking arm of the land forces through light cavalry, mobile infantry, smaller tanks and various other technical improvements would remain at the disposal only of the super-national government, whose members would represent a free choice of all the nationalities that would go to make the League, which would take up the succession of my dictatorship after the twenty years in which I had organised the national and super-national government.

My dictatorship would uphold, rather than break down, national autonomy within a super-national world. Excessive centralisation would be avoided by the maintenance of local parliaments, but with a world parliament at Geneva or Lausanne, the heart of civilisation, to advise and assist the Dictator, and to replace the present League of Nations.

It would be essential to the satisfactory working of the new order to readjust national groupings, where they form a source of irritation and unrest. From long and close study of world affairs I am driven to the conclusion that few things are more inimical to peace and good will between neighbours than the tearing asunder of ethnic and linguistic groups at the dictate whether of a Napoleon or a President Wilson, to serve the ends of larger and more powerful competing interests.

A general world-wide recasting of existing political units would not be necessary. The New World could be left untouched; for neither

in North America nor South America is there any sense of serious grievance. On the Continent of Europe there need be no territorial reshaping of Great Britain, Spain, Portugal, France, Muscovy and the Scandinavian countries. This is also broadly true of Italy, except that she might be asked to surrender some acquisitions along the Alps which, in my view, are essentially German and not Italian.

The danger zones are Central Europe, the Balkans and Asia. I would make of Germany and Austria one nation, restoring to them such truly Germanic territory as has been acquired by others. In districts essentially Hungarian in population I should return to that unjustly maimed but generous and talented race such territories as desire by a free plebiscite to join her. In the Balkans, which have undergone so many transformations in national groupings as a result of ten years' almost continual fighting, I would have a properly conducted and free plebiscite for all doubtful zones. Where racial and cultural unity existed in the past I would let the peoples concerned unite or remain united.

In a word, aggressor states would be compelled to disgorge, and the map of Europe would be re-made on cultural and voluntary lines.

I would pursue the same policy in the Middle East and Central Asia, by aiming at re-uniting, each under one strong government, the Persian and Turkish races. The Central Asian regions I would form into states on cultural and racial lines. The present clumsy and ill-assorted provincial groupings in India are the issue of historical or administrative accident and not of planned design. They would be replaced by more homogeneous provinces bringing together to the fullest extent permitted by inextinguishable circumstance groups of the same linguistic tribe. I advocated such re-marking of the map of India in a book published in 1916, when the Montagu-Chelmsford reforms were being shaped, and I remain convinced to-day that this policy would provide one of the keys to an effective All-India federation.

The Arabs are to-day an unjustly treated race. They are under different governments and different mandates. I would make a federal but united Arabia something on the lines of the old Germanic Empire, leaving here and there to hereditary principalities their internal autonomy, but uniting the whole peninsula and its adjacent Arab lands by a central federal government at some central place on the lines of Washington or Canberra.

Japan can retain unimpaired her island nationality. In China there is linguistic

affinity and a tradition of centuries of unity; but, in view of the course of events in our day, I should be inclined to give large provinces the opportunity for contracting out—if they wished to do so.

In Africa the tendency would be toward aggregation rather than division. For instance, I would make of the North-West one state, Egypt and the Sudan would be left as at present. The South African Union would be retained, excepting that Natal, being so preponderantly British might be given the option to contract out.

In all that I have said I have not lost sight of the needs of the less civilised peoples, who are to be found in Africa in greater measure than elsewhere. I would entrust them for a transitional period of from fifteen to twenty years to a general league of all the nations. In Central Africa, for instance, the administration would be in charge of nominees of the league. One of their main responsibilities would be the steady preparation of the people, by education and culture, to take over the responsibility for the administration of their own affairs.

The re-groupings made as a means to cultural progress would need to be safeguarded from an excess of particularism. To-day the two main streams of civilisation are fed from two widely divided cultures—the Asiatic and the European.

Every Asiatic of education is brought face to face with European culture in a variety of ways; but broadly speaking, the European who has not lived in the East (and nine hundred and ninety-nine out of a thousand of his fellow-countrymen who have sojourned in Asia) does not know Eastern culture in any real sense. I would therefore make bi-culturalism an essential feature of education.

I should aim at the ideal of every European child being taught an Eastern language, and every Asiatic child a European language.

It is scarcely necessary to say that under my dictatorship compulsory education would be worldwide and kept up till, eighteen or twenty years of age. I should certainly give to education a wider meaning than that which it now has in the public mind.

The system would include teaching on health, on the laws of sex and parenthood, and on art and the life of the soul in the widest sense. The broad aim would be to give the workers a recognition of the value of their leisure in providing opportunities for spiritual, aesthetic and intellectual pursuits, for delight in nature and art in their manifold forms and, above all, for direct communion with the Unseen. The effort would be to enrich life through many channels.

Travel, like staff rides in the army, would be regarded as a

normal part of education. Spiritual values would be given the pre-eminence which is their inherent right. By spiritual experience I must make it clear that nothing in the nature of asceticism or monkery or renunciation of the responsibilities, as well as of the enjoyment, of life is meant.

Good and beautiful thoughts, kindness and gentleness towards others as well as a constant feeling of communion with the obvious soul in the universe around us—these, rather than absurd inhibitions and taboos, would be the meaning of religious education. The value and importance of happiness and contentment of reflection over the fruits of knowledge and the direct reactions to outer nature would be taught to the young. The habit of contemplation would be as general during moments of leisure as is to-day the wastage of precious time.

There would be full freedom and equality of religious opinion, and also of practice, so long as it did not touch upon the rights of others. Poetry and imaginative literature of all countries, especially of the neglected Moslem world, would be brought within the reach of each and all.

The promotion of the public health would be sought both by education thereon and by the encouragement of physical culture, hiking, sports and games.

The time and money now foolishly wasted by sections of the public in over-clothing and over-feeding would be replaced by rational diet and dress and the use of golf courses, tennis courts, cricket, football and hockey grounds and other sports for which widespread provision would be made.

In these ways the people would be encouraged to divert the mind and exercise the body. There would be no regimentation in the use of amusements, as each individual would be left free to choose his own form of recreation.

The dictatorship would recognise that there is no standing still in human affairs and that both science and economic policy must serve the ends of progress. As Sir J. J. Thomson showed in his presidential address to the Section of Mathematical and Physical Sciences at the centenary meeting of the British Association, there is too much mass production in university science teaching. Far too many unsuitable men are turned to laboratory work in various branches of research.

The best results can be achieved, I am confident, by providing the fullest means for investigation to men of proved power and achievement. I would give a Faraday, a Ross and an Einstein adequate resources and let him choose his own assistants.

In this way scientific research and progress would be revitalised with the fire of individual genius. The higher prizes would be offered—not only from the material, but from the social and honorific points of view—for scientific discoveries; while those who showed natural inclinations and promise by original thought and work would be placed in positions where they could carry forward their researches, not only in all the inductive sciences, but in history, literature and economic studies.

From all that has been said it might appear that the necessity for man to face danger and adversity, to develop his mental resources for sudden decisions in the face of unforeseen events, for constant and hard effort, for preparation and foresight might be weakened.

Peace, a higher development of contemplation and reflective education and more general possession and variety of goods might, one would think, in the long run sap the foundations from which progressors come. But I maintain, on the contrary, that the twenty years of my dictatorship would go a long way to strengthen these qualities, but change their direction. Instead of having to combat men, to face danger from neighbouring States, instead of making the effort for a painful production of goods, instead of years of spending and service in order to save a little, in order to buy a little, the society I should have prepared (for the super-national states that would take up the continuation of my work) would have learned that the greatest of all conquests, and the greatest of all struggles, and the greatest of all triumphs will be over the forces of nature.

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THE FIRST HALF OF THE FOOTBALL SEASON

MILITARY TEAMS PREDOMINANT

CIVILIANS WHEN UNITED PROVE FORMIDABLE

(By "Spot Kick.")

The withdrawal of the Chinese teams from the Hong Kong Football Association at the beginning of this season left the contests open to a triangular struggle between the Civilian, Army and Navy teams.

Glancing over the first half of the season, we find that in the League it is a fight among the Services teams for premier honours among the high rungs of the league ladders.

In the Senior Division, the Argyls, after having led the field with splendid consistent form for practically the whole distance, are strongly challenged by the Navy, who are, in fact on level terms with the Scots, having obtained thirteen points in their eight encounters. Kowloon, who are always considered serious opponents and worthy contenders for League honours, have, through the loss of several good players, slid down the table and may find their usual position at the end of the season occupied by the Police, who are a greatly improved team this season. St. Joseph's still fight gamely at the bottom of the table for their first point, but through lack of regular players are not yet able to field a side worth its place in the senior League.

Military Successes.

In the Second Division the Army are fighting neck and neck for the top position. A well balanced and clever eleven enabled the Argyls to carry all before them until December 12 when they met with their first reverse at the hands of 12th Battery Royal Artillery, who, after a shaky start in the League, are now fielding a formidable eleven.

The Civilian, at present have no representatives here to cause the Military teams much anxiety, the Club and Kowloon being considerably weakened by the promoting of players to the senior divisions, whilst the University are yet unable to find the material for building a winning eleven. Of the Navy in this League, too many forced changes in their side prove too big a handicap to be faced.

The Junior Division.

At the onset the Recreio second string were regarded as certain winners in the Junior division, but after defeating their most serious rivals, the Borderers, their colours were lowered by the Air Force. St. Joseph's entered a junior eleven into this League to begin with great gusto, but players have since deserted them and they find it a great struggle in fielding a team. Radio made their debut in local soccer at the beginning of the season, but whilst much enthusiasm reigns, they are still pointless.

Lai Wah Cup.

Without having to play their match, the Army and Navy have both suffered defeat at the hands of the Civilian and therefore the Lai Wah Cup goes to that combination this season. The Civilian are splendidly served at present in all departments, having numerous reserve forwards to call upon, and it will be a hard task for the selectors to choose the best eleven to send up North when the time comes for the Interport game. With the Ser-

vices, the coming and going of men necessitates constant changes in their teams, with the result that as soon as one combination is gathered together and have been playing long enough to understand one another's play, a move has to be made in the various positions, and team building has to commence again.

Senior Shield.

In the Senior Shield there remain four teams — the Borderers, the Argyls, the Club and the Police — for the semi-finals. If any surprise was caused in the opening games, perhaps the defeat of Kowloon by three clear goals by the Borderers was the biggest. The Borderers, however, solved the centre forward problem in finding Jones capable of scoring goals, whilst their opponents had to call up reserves to replace Downman and Grimwood.

The Navy had not the men at their disposal to field anything like their present side, but the eleven fielded forced the Argyls to go hand in hand with luck to overcome the sailors by the only goal of the match, which Lamont netted.

A close game was the result of the Recreio-Club encounter, the latter winning by the odd goal in three. Rodger proved his immense value to the winners that day. Whilst the Police met St. Joseph's in a heavy scoring game.

So it is now a struggle between the Army and Civilian sides for the Shield. Present form indicates a military triumph, but judging by form, lots of things happen which should not happen.

"Sunday Herald" Cup.

During the Christmas holidays the duels for the right to meet in the final of the Sunday Herald Challenge Cup were fought and as a result Scotland once again are strong favourites, having disposed of England. Portugal earned their right to meet the Scots by virtue of their win over Wales, after a ding dong struggle.

FIRST DIVISION TEAMS.

The Argyls.

Taking the Argyls individually, the form of a large number of their players has been not too great, and yet, collectively, their combination is splendid. Hastie is always safe to any reasonable shots. Of the backs they have had the services of Blackburn, Docherty and sometimes Henderson. Docherty is the safest of the regular pair and yet when Henderson is partnering Blackburn, a better pair of backs would be hard to find in this Colony. Of the halves, May as pivot is good in defence, but he heads the ball too much to send up accurate passes to his forwards. Many changes have been made in the wing half backs, but McGlashan and Yeoman are the best. Age has spoilt the finest right wing the Argyls have had, Christie not now being able to fly to the long passes of his former partner, McTavish. On the other wing Lamont and Hughes are establishing a useful understanding, the trickery of the

latter paving the way for many of the goals scored by the Argyls.

Wyllie at centre forward has shown what he can do in collecting eight goals in that number of appearances. McTavish is next with five, the majority being the achievement of splendid solo efforts.

The Royal Navy.

One would think, from seeing the number of ships lying in the harbour, that the Navy with its thousands of men would field a formidable side. They have a good team but changes again harness their efforts in getting each player to know his partner.

They have good men to call upon in Savage, Clucas and Bines as goal-keepers, the former being remarkably agile for one of so small stature. After a bad spell Dixon is again one of the finest backs in the Colony. His positioning and tackling, both with the utmost coolness and accuracy, gains much admiration from the spectators.

Ward, his partner, is a glutton for getting into tight corners, but is nearly always seen to advantage. The half back line has been greatly strengthened by the return of Shirras in the centre, but he, like Hay, does not always use his passes to the best advantage. The Navy have no doubt called upon more men than any other club in their endeavour to find a goal scoring forward line. Twenty-eight in number have turned out in Navy colours, and yet it is only Skinner with Dickenson on the left wing that are able to produce points, they having scored almost half of the Navy's present number.

Kowloon F.C.

The strength of Kowloon's team lies in its half back line. In Hedley, McKelvie and Bliss they have three players of exceptional high class for local soccer. McKelvie is getting along now, but his knowledge of his partners' play proves a great asset in getting him out of any boisterous encounters with opponents. The other two are capable of looking after any winger, and it needs be, can supplement any weakened position in their forward line. Kowloon have found in Gurevitch a keeper with an exceptionally safe pair of hands. Martin at back gets plenty to do since his partner, Downman, left and does it well. Ianson on the left wing is lost without Grimwood, and there lies the falling off of Kowloon's success. Timberlake at centreforward is a good goal scorer, but does not ably assist his inside men in paving the way for goals. In Duncan they have a schemer and with a few more games at Ianson's side he should be able to show of his best.

Police.

The Police have required the services of twenty players for their seven matches to date and, with some of the old hands being replaced by younger blood, they have greatly improved. They were unfortunate in losing Clarke, their interport goalkeeper, in the first match of the season and had to call upon Frazer their centre-forward as a custodian. The arrival of Downman, Channing and Moss has greatly strengthened their three lines to make a well balanced side. Shepherd, perhaps is the master mind in the attack, and with Pile makes a splendid wing. Moss in the centre is a fine opportunist. They should finish in the top half of the table as they are at present.

Borderers.

The South Wales Borderers have been content with practically the team with which they started the season. The departure of Eynon, their star centre half, necessitated the promotion of Channing, who has comfortably settled into the team to give five fine displays. Of the remainder of the defence, it will take an exceptionally good man to displace anyone. Johnson, although a little too spectacular is as good as any keeper in the Colony, whilst "Danny" Mullane and Morrison have played throughout the season well enough to earn local Army honours. Each impresses with his characteristic play. Mullane's coolness in tackling and clearing comparing with his partner's eagerness for hard work. Underwood is the better of the two wing halves, but both he and Morgan are capable of holding up the opposing forwards and serving their own players with well placed passes. The Borderers' right wing, comprising of Harris and Davis, is the dangerous point of their attack, the latter's clever football being

mainly responsible for the well placed centres that are put across by Harris. These two have scored no fewer than nine of the sixteen goals obtained by the Borderers this season. Much difficulty has been experienced in getting a goal scoring centre forward, but the arrival or discovery of Jones has settled this. Jones has the ability to send the ball in the right direction at the crucial moment and can shoot with either foot. The good work of Podmore and Duncan is overshadowed by the opposite wing, but Duncan in particular should never be starved as he is at times, for he possesses a great shot.

The Club.

The Club has disappointed its supporters. Before the commencement of the season great things were expected of the new talent on view. The old timers were forced to bow before the arrival and promotion of younger players and with the inclusion of the goal scoring abilities of Howe, a successful season was in sight. But they have to-day three points, which means that something is amiss. They have the men, but they are not a team. Segalen and Bell know enough football to give ample support to Howe, but the goals never come. Howe made his debut against St. Joseph's, and how he could shoot (he obtained no less than eight of his team's eleven goals in that match) was clearly demonstrated. But of late the newcomer has shown very poor form. He, however, is handicapped with an ankle injury and we can only hope that he makes a speedy recovery. Rodger in goal is as good as ever, and it takes a really good shot, provided a fair chance of seeing the ball is given him, to travel past him. He knows more about dodging a boisterous forward than we do about evading persistent newspaper sellers. S. Strange is the bulwark of the Club's defence, the majority of the work falling on his wide shoulders. Had he a regular partner, the Club defence would certainly have been a tough proposition for any opposing forward line. Brilliant play when called upon in the interport trials gained him much prominence and a right to represent the Colony at right back in the actual interport encounter. Skinner holds the centre half position in the Club team and with little support on either side of him shows splendid stamina and grit. Almost always on the defensive, his keen tackling and accurate passing has brought him before the eyes of the interport selectors. Segalen is the best footballer in the Club's vanguard, but is miserably inconsistent. He is capable of taking the ball and putting it to any of his team mates, but he often fails through overconfidence. Of the others E. Strange appears most conspicuous with his whole hearted efforts in getting through to take a shot at every conceivable opportunity.

Club de Recreio.

The Recreio are not enjoying much measure of success this season. They have the material in any number of players, but cannot build up a match winning side. Enthusiasm is not lacking among the team, for in many a match it has been sheer pluck and keenness that has saved them from heavier defeat. They just cannot get the ball into the net to crown their cleverly combined movements. The Gossano brothers are the masters of their side, but the changing over to different positions during a game places the whole team out of smooth running order. Ward, the usual centre-forward, is too poor a shot for the position. He can work up a good position for a goal and that goal usually comes provided someone else is there to shoot it, but if Ward has to finish off the movement in shooting, it is generally a goal kick. Beltrac, sometime centre half, is a hard worker in destructive play, but his passes which are intended for the wings often go astray, or to the opposition. Of the backs Silva-Netto is the more pleasing, his ability to kick the ball hard and true often relieving otherwise dangerous moments for his goal. In Marques, the goalkeeper, the Recreio have a good man at stopping anything that is likely to enter the top half of the net, but a low drive generally finds him late in getting contact.

St. Joseph's.

The playing list of the St. Joseph's Club is very limited. They have, but a dozen, regular men to call upon. Of this team the majority are spirited enough,

but they lack the knowledge of football good enough to hold their own in the senior division. They rely solely on D. Leonard for any goals that the side may produce, although of late a newcomer in Hollywood has shown that he is capable of scoring.

SECOND DIVISION TEAMS.

Argyls.

The Argyls second eleven have been lucky enough to survive the opening half of the season without many serious changes. Good combination is their system for success, with King, Alexander and Maxwell being the most successful marksmen. Of the defenders, Grant and Bruce are always prominent.

Borderers.

A well balanced forward line has helped the Borderers to challenge the Argyls for leadership. They have enjoyed a number of high scoring victories in which Harris, Morris and Mathias have netted no fewer than twenty-eight goals between them.

12th Battery.

The 12th Battery have several members of last year's Artillery team at their disposal, among them being Frearson, Allen, Walker and Seal. The former is the strength of the side. Formerly playing in the centre-forward position he netted eleven times. Now he has returned to the defence to leave More, Walker and Gough to score twenty-four between them. The Battery's best effort has been the defeat of the leaders, the Argyls.

Royal Navy.

The Navy in the second division, whilst having several of last season's players, are not the side of the past. Failure to finish off good midfield work is their weakness. The names of Kirkby and Nash come readily to mind when selecting any forwards of prominence.

R.A.O.C.

Fortune has not looked favourably upon the R.A.O.C. this season. Having lost several of last season's players they have struggled gamely on, hoping for their luck to turn. With the arrival of a couple of new players, however, they have met with success in their last two matches with splendid victories. Sands, capable in almost any position, heads the goal scoring list with Sanson, their brilliant right winger. Emery and Farquhar, the newcomers, have greatly strengthened the defence.

Kowloon.

Kowloon second eleven have lost several players through promotion, but are recovering and getting together quite a useful side again. Cotton is worthy of mentioning as a hard working forward and he and Simpson bear the brunt of the attack on their shoulders. In the defence Gilchrist is outstanding.

The Club.

Last season the Club did exceedingly well to play in the final of the Junior Shield, but this season they are yet unable to get together anything like a good team. Forgive, their goalkeeper, has kept the score down considerably through some clever displays between the posts.

University.

The University have yet to get their first point. A number of their old players have left them, with the result that only Reed, Ong, Candah and Wong remain to keep the team together.

The Third Division.

Good training and physical fitness has enabled the Borderers to run amok among the teams in the third division. Morgan is their marksman. Guterres, F. Santos and Gomes share the principle scoring honours in the Recreio second string. They are an agile trio, and require careful watching when on the run. The return of the Aircraft carrier has greatly strengthened the R.A.F. team and one check to either of the leading teams will be enough to let the Airman in. Sumner claims eight goals for them. The R.E. are not the team of last season, having lost several good players. Hindoury, Morgan and Grosvenor are prominent, the former two being the goal scorers. The babes of the league, the Radio, are still pointless, chiefly through lack of knowledge of the game, and there is plenty of room for improvement and Elms, who is their star performer, should, as the season progresses, get more support from his colleagues.

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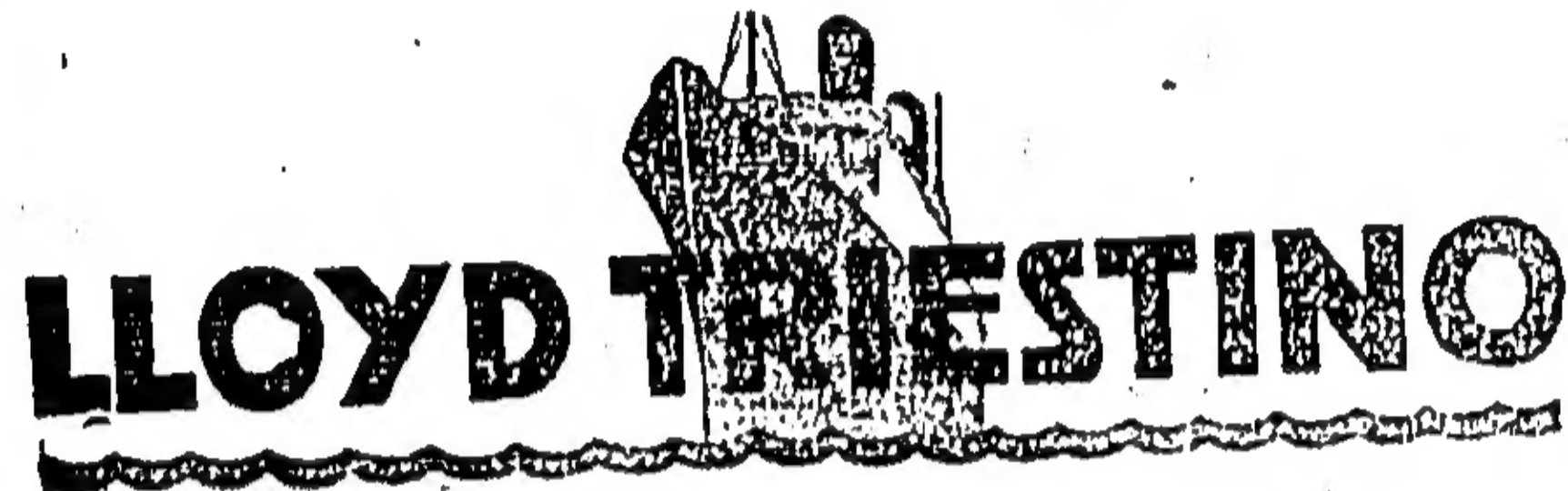
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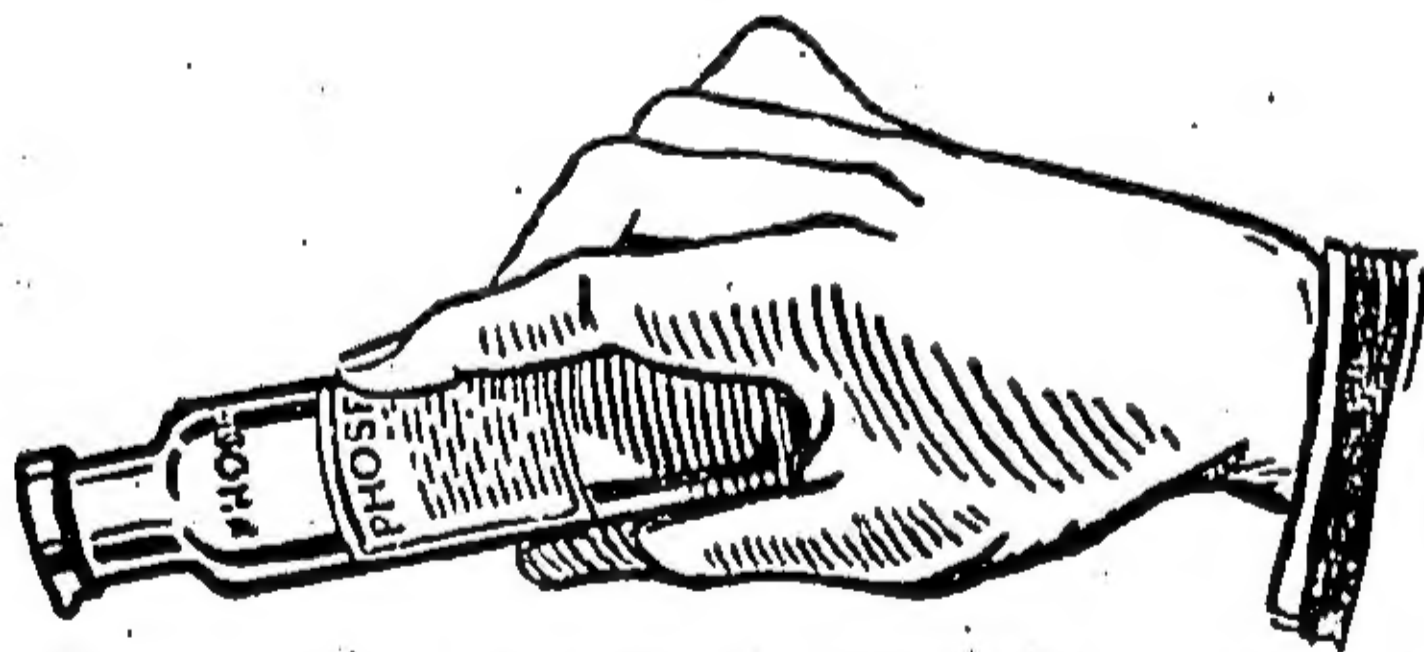
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"WHEN I WAS YOUR AGE"

By "FELICITAS"

THERE seems to be something about New Year's Eve that always sets people babbling about bygone days.

As a rule mum won't admit she can remember anything over twenty years ago, but on Thursday night, while I was dressing to go out to a little affair Doris was giving at their place, mum came in and sat on the edge of my bed.

"How are you going, Mavis?" she asked.

"Bill is coming 'round for me on his motor bike," I answered as a wriggled into my one-piece. "And I only wish my skirt was long enough to cover the number plate so we could get up a bit of speed!"

"There's too much speed. It's not safe. And really I wish you girls would wear a bit more skirt," sighed mum. "You should have seen the dress I wore to my first New Year's party—just thirty years ago!"

"I'll bet it was a dream!" I agreed. "But surely you wouldn't go back to it now? You seem to take pretty kindly to the present fashion."

"Don't be personal," said mum, humbly. "You know this is my house dress. I always wear them a bit longer than this for going out." "I like that!" I said. "Who started being personal? Anyhow, tell me about your party while I manœuvre my nails. Bill won't be along just yet."

I knew mother would sweeten up if she got talking about old times, and if I didn't get her sweet again she might be snappy to Bill.

"I remember it well enough," said mum. "The Harrigans were giving a dance at night, but, as nearly all the families had a long way to travel they came over in the afternoon."

"Mrs. Harrigan's bedroom was full of women's hats and her big bed was stacked up with babies, and little children rather shy in their best clothes seemed to be everywhere. What the men did with themselves I don't know. All of us girls had the use of Molly Harrigan's bedroom, and when we had brushed off the dust and set our white frocks ready for the evening, several of us went out to the swing."

"We had not been there long when some of the young men appeared and we were dreadfully embarrassed because our skirts would fly up nearly to our knees when the swing went high. And the boys swung us high on purpose, I believe, to hear the screams. Lizzie Brody wouldn't get in the swing until someone suggested tying her dress around her ankles, and Bert Harrigan 'hobbled' her with his big handkerchief."

"After tea we dressed—all in starched white muslin with high necks and long sleeves, and at least two frilly petticoats underneath! The school teacher caused a sensation by appearing in a black evening dress—low neck, no sleeves, and a train which she carried over her arm most of the time. We stared—and wondered if any of the men would have the nerve to dance with her. But they did!"

"The dance room was well decorated with greenery. The table

was covered with a rug and the 'orchestra' sat on it—a violin and an accordion. Oh! there is nothing so lovely as dancing to an accordion or a concertina. All next day you have the music ringing in your head. And the way the boys would get their courage up while they danced and suddenly get dumb and shy again when the music stopped."

"There were candles stuck all around the wall on pegs and most of us got candle grease in our hair from sitting under them. At midnight the big New Year's cake was cut, and we all sang 'Auld Lang Syne.' Then there was more dancing—right on till daylight, and—"

Bill honked his horn for the second time. I hated to interrupt Mum, but I did not want to be late for my party on account of one of 30 years ago. Just then Dad put his head in the door.

"Mavis! That young speed-wizard of yours is waiting outside for you. We've been talking for quite a while waiting for you to turn up."

"I'll be there in a minute, Dad. I have just been hearing about how they held New Year parties 30 years ago. Were you there, Dad? At the dance at Harrigan's?"

"No," said Dad with a wink. "That was before my time! Your mother was courting Ben Brody then."

"Me?" said Mum indignantly. "I never did!"

I couldn't wait to hear the end of it. Bill was honking his horn impatiently so I said "good-night" and slipped outside.



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Eternal vigilance is not only the price of liberty, but of every other good thing.

The pedestrian has his rights, warns a motoring writer.—And sometimes his rites.

Bradman is said to be a good flogger.—Boys are glad that he is a cricketer and not a head.

If you can control your temper when you are under attack it is no sign that you can do it when you are upon a tack.

Any man can dress well on a £10 note, we read.—We do it well enough on a strip of matting which costs much less than that.

A good example is the best sermon.

A modern philosopher is a calm man with a stubborn motor-car.

There is no fun like work if your sense of humour is up to your job.

Drink does not drown care, but waters it, and makes it grow faster.

Always do your best. Possibly the best you can do is none too good.

Conscience is the still small voice which tells us we are about to be caught.

Genius is one per cent. inspiration and ninety-nine per cent. perspiration.—Edison.

A retentive memory is a great thing, but the true token of nobility is the power to forget.

The kick that comes from the fellow you have helped is the one that leaves a real sore spot.

Money-making may not be the true end of life, but it is often the real beginning of living.

The world may owe you a living, but unless you go out and collect it you may well consider it a bad debt.

Do not make the mistake of thinking the man believes what you say simply because he does not call you a liar.

There are 2 things I like in a Rooster.—Th' kro that iz in him an' the spurz he baks up the kro with.—Josh Billings.

The man who not only keeps pace with the times, but just a little ahead of them, sticks out from the bunch like a large wart on a small pickle.

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TEARS ARE STILL VALUABLE

By JANE FAYRE.

ONCE upon a time women cultivated an etiquette of tears. There were special tears for special occasions. Happiness demanded a bright crystal tear; love a gentle, hovering tear; sharp, bitter tears were used for temper, and a dewy tear for melancholy; and for state occasions such as weddings and funerals, a positive deluge of tears were used.

But for a long time now women have turned their backs on tears as an expression of emotion. They have searched about them for sterner stuff. Hence the widespread use of the swear word, the snort, the gurgie, the shrieking whoops, and the variety of other bronchial noises which are included in every modern woman's repertoire. But in comparison with the power of the tear they are about as effective as a penny whistle in an orchestra.

It is time that the value of the tear was recognised again. There never has been nor ever will be a more effective weapon of defence or attack. Even women are moved to go to the support of their sex by the sight of tears, while a man who sees a woman crying will go to any lengths of devotion, sacrifice, heroic endeavour or abnegation if the ultimate result will make her stop. Even the most modern of modern

novellists confronted with the need of bringing about understanding between the hero and heroine resorts to allowing the lady to cry. True, the tears are usually made to hover on her lashes, instead of rolling down her cheeks as they did in the good old days. But tears they are for all that.

Hollywood has never forgotten the value of the tear. Although they have produced a good many "hard-boiled dames" they have created a far greater number of sobbing, dove-eyed heroines. And how we love them! Who has not sat in a hypnotised and luxurious welter of sentiment watching a favourite star with her eyes welling glycerine or onion tears.

Doubtless one reason that tears have gone out of fashion is that they ruin make-up. If they are revived to the position of importance they held twenty-five years ago, a fortune awaits the man or woman who produces a tear-proof eyeshadow, rouge and powder. No woman could enjoy a really good cry knowing that her tears were making havoc with her complexion.

But if this only objection to the reinstatement of tears is overcome, it will not be sufficient merely to bring them back into fashion again. We shall have to learn how to use them to meet the emergencies of modern life. There will have to be

tears of anguish specially manufactured for softening the hearts of bank managers when accounts become overdrawn. The vet, who restores Emperor Peke back to health will need the heartfelt tear of gratitude, while modern husbands, if they are to be impressed, will need bigger and brighter tears.

The strain of life is an inevitable subject of conversation these days. If tears were returned they would undoubtedly help to mitigate it. We never hear women exclaiming to their friends, "I had a really good cry, dear, and now I feel better." Only the last generation knows the joys of those damp orgies of emotion. They can remember indulging in them behind the locked doors of their bedrooms complete with a bag of marshmallows and Ouida's newest novel. What bliss they must have been.

Tears are nature's safety valve for women. Keeping them at bay is a strain on the nervous system. Perhaps the beauty parlours will start a new slogan to welcome back the tear, "Weep your way to Win-the-tear, or 'Cry yourself to Beauty.'" If they did we should all be howling our eyes out!

But whether they do or not, if for one ardently hope that tears will be revived. They are of far more value to a woman than any amount of independence and self-assurance.

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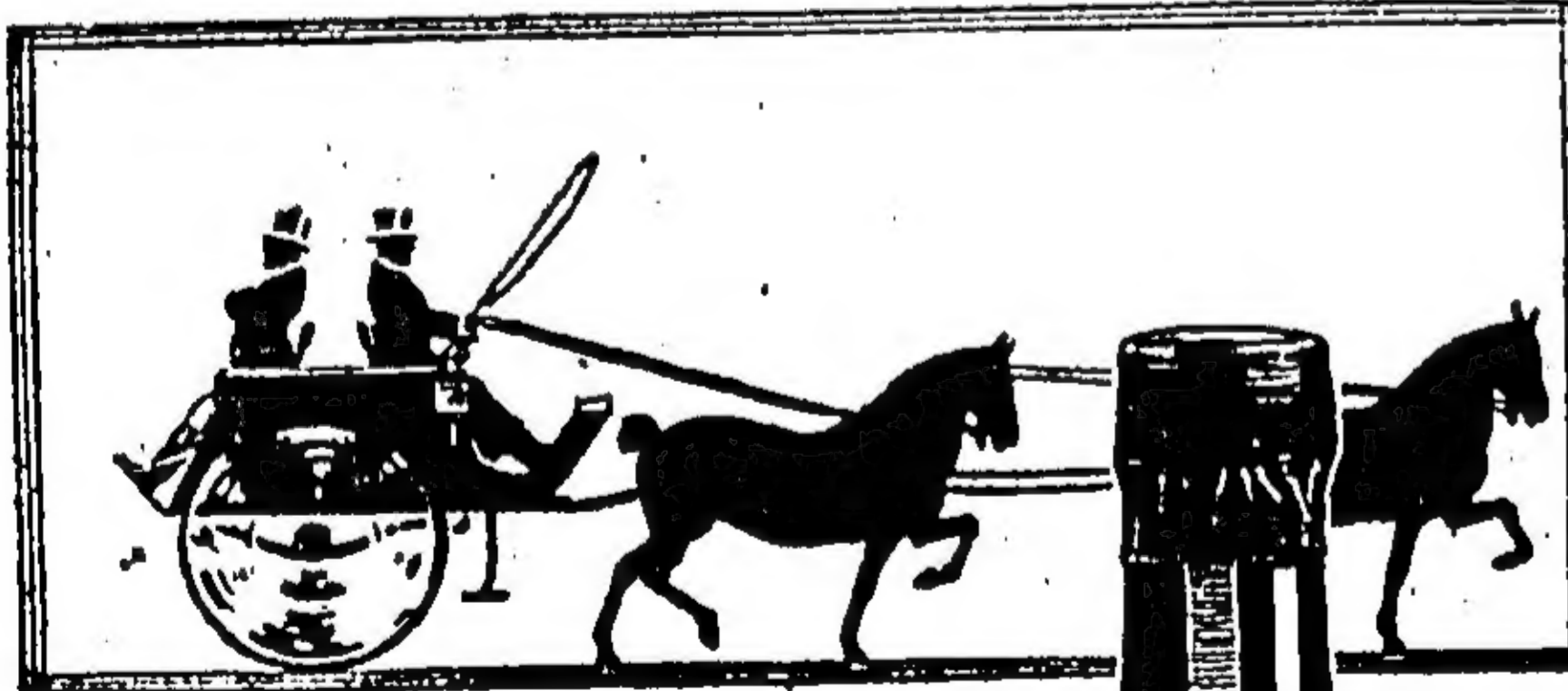
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Fire Services.

A perusal of the new regulations relating to fire service charges, published in the Government Gazette of December 27 is enough to convince the cynic that the Government is not lacking in optimism and humour.

The new regulations stated, inter alia:—

"Fire Services may be permitted by the Water Authority when in his opinion or in the opinion of the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade the same are necessary or expedient to enable water from the waterworks to be used by the owner or occupier of any building or structure for the purpose of combating fire." (Italics are mine.)

The first thing one gathers from the foregoing paragraph is that the installation of a Fire Service in any public building is not compulsory. And even if the owner of a building should be public-spirited enough to apply for one, it may only be granted if found "necessary" or "expedient" by either the Water Authority or the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade.

It will be seen that it is no easy matter to install a service for the purpose of combating a fire. First of all we will have to rouse the landlord into taking the initial step, and, secondly we have to await the pleasure of either one of the officials already mentioned.

But the sting is at the tail end. "The following fees shall be paid into the Treasury for the use and for retention of fire services on and after January 1, 1932":—

- 6" service \$110 per annum.
- 4" service \$75 per annum.
- 3" service \$50 per annum.
- 2" service \$35 per annum.

The matter now assumes a different complexion to this: Landlords who wish to show their public spirit by helping to combat a fire will have to pay \$110 a year for a six-inch valve hydrant to be installed on the premises, and a lesser sum for a smaller hydrant.

Where Government Scores.

Not feeling sure of my ground I called on Mr. H. T. Brooks, Superintendent of the Fire Brigade. He admitted that the Government is powerless in so far as old buildings are concerned. There is no provision in the Ordinance whereby the Government can force landlords or occupiers of buildings which are already in existence to install such a service. But where projected buildings are concerned, the Government and even the Fire Department can make this order compulsory. The course to take is a simple one—merely not to pass the plans of a proposed building unless a hydrant is included.

Mr. Brooks pointed out that the regulation had been in existence for many years. When he first took charge of the Fire Department there were about ten such services installed. To-day there are over four hundred. The new regulations were only an adjustment of the fees. In other words it may well be called an increase in the fees to be paid for such services.

Still Hoping.

I pointed out that the increase in the installation of such services are mostly for buildings recently constructed and owned by Europeans. Mr. Brooks agreed. He, however, is still hoping that existent buildings will fall in line.

When the matter is carefully considered from all angles, it is feared that the hope is rather a forlorn one. In the first place, an owner will think of his pocket before anything else. Then let us look at the matter from the insurance side of view. The prevailing rate for Chinese buildings is \$12.50 for every \$1,000 insured. Therefore for the expenditure of \$125 (which is only \$15 more than paying for a 6" valve hydrant) an owner can insure his property against fire for \$10,000.

This opens up two avenues for a business man to take. One is to pay \$110 and get no return for your money, but only to have the means at hand to combat a fire. The other is to pay a mere \$15

more and get \$10,000 in the event of the property being destroyed by fire. I should certainly think an insurance policy should be more tempting to any house-owners.

Talking about the "means to combat a fire," even this is not guaranteed by the Government. Another clause in the regulations reads:—

"No fire service permit shall include or imply undertaking, warranty or obligation on the part of the Government or any department or officer thereof that water will at all times or when required be available by or through the fire service, or breakdown or defects or interruptions."

The Government is indeed too optimistic!

New Year Celebrations.

There is no doubt that there are few places in the world where so many different New Year celebrations take place as in Hong Kong. The next to come will be the Chinese New Year, then we will have the Jewish, the Mohammedan, the Parsee, and the Hindoo New Year celebrations.

Probably there are one or two more, but these are sufficient to show how widespread are the beliefs and ideas of the many races and nationalities in our midst.

I Heard it Said—

That the best precaution to take against diphtheria is to drink soup daily made out of a certain vegetable (Chinese name Kai Choi) and sweet potato. That during the last ten days, over two dozen double-barrel shot guns have been sold to Chinese villagers in the New Territories. Probably as a result of a leopard having been shot there.

That in some schools Algebra and Geometry are taught too early, and to students barely ten years of age.

That a certain Club will shortly ask the Government for a permit to conduct "wooden horse racing" solely for members.

—NOTA BENE.



The GLOBE TROTTER'S DIARY

U.S. Perfume . . .

No longer is the chic American woman to be identified by one particular perfume, say New World fashion experts.

Instead, it was found by nosing about cosmetic counters in smart shops that the discriminating woman to-day goes in for perfume to suit the hour, the occasion and the mood as well as her personality.

The result is that on her dressing table is an array of bottles, sometimes as many as 40, and the manufacturers are as hard put designing clever containers as in mixing diversified odours.

In the morning the smart fashion is for single flower odours: lilac, rose, sweet pea, lily of the valley—according to the wearer's fancy, perfume dealers said.

For luncheon and afternoon the vogue is for bouquet fragrances. The late evening hours and the moonlight call forth the oriental, the indefinite, the challenging "may be so or may be no" perfume.

Amphibious Tank . . .

A new tank has been made for the British Army which is as much at home in water as on land. The tank can "swim" in a wide, deep river or be launched from a battleship, climb out of water up a steep bank or marshy edge and race across level ground at over forty miles per hour, all the time pelting the enemy with a pitiless rain of bullets. Manufactured by Vickers Armstrong, the Cargon Lloyd light amphibious tank has successfully passed trials on the Thames. Plunging into the water from a steep bank, it crossed and recrossed the river swimming upstream against wind and current at about six miles per hour. When the cur-

rent was running at about 4 m.p.h. the tank progressed at 2 m.p.h. When fully loaded with two men, a machine-gun and 2,500 rounds of ammunition, it can climb a slope of thirty degrees at 6 m.p.h. Military experts point out that had tanks such as this been available at Gallipoli a very different story might have told of the heroic landing.

Bandit's Complaint . . .

The Corsican bandit, Micelli, has written to the French Minister for War as follows: "I must respectfully beg to bring to your notice the attitude of our local colonial gendarmes. By dressing his soldiers in civilian clothes he is neither acting in accord with the rules of warfare nor 'playing the game.' A soldier should never fight but in uniform.

"Also you must realise the danger which such an action brings upon the peaceful inhabitants of Corsica and the tourist public. It is obvious that my fellow-bandits will be obliged to take all civilians who approach them as gendarmes in plain clothes. In this way regrettable errors, which I myself would be the first to deplore, are almost certain to occur, while quite plainly all blame would fall directly upon the colonel."

The Minister for War's reply to this complaint was in the form of a telegram to the colonel in question requesting him to withdraw this order immediately and warning him in the future to pay greater attention to the "rules of the game."

Smuggled Chinese . . .

A plan to hire agents in Borneo, to advise the customs authorities whenever an attempt to smuggle

Chinese into the Philippine Islands is being made is now under consideration by the Bureau of Customs, it was learned in Manila recently.

The customs authorities are alarmed over the number of Chinese without immigration papers found in the Philippines. The Philippine Government is spending thousands of pesos for the deportation of Chinese immigrants who were found to have entered the islands from Borneo through Sandakan.

As soon as the new customs cutter Arayat arrives in Manila from Europe, it will be used for patrol duty in southern waters together with the cutter Mindoro. Other launches in the sub-pets will also be utilised for the purpose.

A Thieving Pig . . .

A pig with thieving proclivities has been responsible for the loss of a hundred lives and the imprisonment of 4,000 men.

This horrible denouement to a pig's ravenous appetite is said to have occurred at Bissau, in Portuguese Guinea.

The pig's depredations, it seems, led to a dispute between some tribesmen. This culminated in a fierce encounter in which all the tribesmen in the district ranged themselves on one side or the other. With their primitive weapons they fought a fierce battle and before the clash was stopped by the Portuguese authorities a hundred men had been killed.

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HONG KONG, SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 1932.

"The Lost Dominion."

IT was under this title that a book was written five or six years ago. It was a closely argued thesis on India, and the author said, that if this or that was not done, and this or that permitted to develop, India would cease to be the "brightest jewel in the British Empire," and that she would finally become the "lost dominion" of the British Commonwealth of Nations. India has long since ceased to be that "brightest jewel," her lustre has faded, and she has tarnished her brilliance with the blood of many servants of the Government of India. Is she to become a "lost dominion?" Some say she is; that now: others that it is inevitable. We think not. We have greater confidence in, and respect for, British statesmanship and sagacity than to believe that such is the destiny of India. Leaving aside the monetary issues at stake, the moral responsibility, which Great Britain accepted over a century ago, has not yet been fully discharged, and until it is there can not be a shirking of it. And we see no sign yet that Britain seeks to shirk it.

The more recent cables from India paint for us an unhappy picture. The Indian National Congress, which came into being fifty odd years ago, to foster a national spirit among Indians—a natural ambition, and one which deserved to be encouraged, as it was encouraged at the time and for many years after the inception of the Congress — has to-day fostered, under this cloak, a spirit of revolution of a sinister nature and with grave potentialities for harm. This has been made possible by the capture of the Indian National Congress by Extremists, and, though they carry on under the old style, they are not what the Indian National Congress was formed to be.

The present Indian National Congress, it must be admitted, is a force to be reckoned with. It cannot be ignored. The Government of India recognises it as such, and deals with it patiently and tactfully. Too patiently and tactfully for some likings. But it is the wise way, the way which will pay in the long run. It may be a long way, and it may be a most difficult way, but it is the way which will not plunge the country into confusion and leave it to welter in blood—blood, mainly, of just those people of India to whom Great Britain's moral responsibility yet has not been discharged.

Mahatma Gandhi to-day, we think, is the most unhappy man in India. If he is not, he ought to be. He finds himself caught fast in the crowd he called together to lead, but which crowd is now leading him—whether? He is to-day only a puppet, a very useful puppet, nevertheless a puppet only. And he must speak and act as his masters tell him. And who are his masters? Not, as you might think, the leaders of the Indian National Congress; not the men who harangue the crowds with fiery speeches and incite mobs to frenzy. No, these are not his masters. The masters are certain astute banias (money-lenders), principally, and through them certain landlords and certain merchants. It is they who contributed immense sums of money to the funds he raised; it is they who followed him to Delhi, when he went to have an interview with the Viceroy (the Viceroy was then Lord Irwin), in order to make sure that he would not let them down, and in order that they could be possessed at once of the turn of events, so that the markets could be manipulated and their contributions recovered. These are Gandhi's masters, and masters of Congress too.

And so to-day the Indian National Congress is on the eve of plunging India into greater economic difficulties, at the dictates of these groups of financiers without a sense of the responsibility which their wealth gives them. Impossible demands are made of the authorities, and rightly refused, and such refusal is construed as an unfriendly act, so civil disobedience is to be resumed, taxes are not to be paid, the salt laws are to be broken, and British goods and concerns are to be boycotted.

News in Brief.

The average rainfall for the first 34 hours of the year is 0.06 inch. The record for 1932 is, of course, blank.

Revised parcel post rates for China are published in the Government Gazette, the scale commencing at \$1.90 for 3 lb.

A second and final dividend is intended to be declared in the matter of the Shing Wo Tong, of 28 Ko Shing Street, adjudicated bankrupt on February 14, 1930.

Yesterday the lowest open air temperature up to 4 p.m. was 55 degrees. The humidity was the lowest for many months—26 at 6 a.m. and 38 at 4 p.m.

A Chinese boy, aged 8 years, was knocked down by Private Car No. 1914, in Queen's Road West, near Kwan Lung Street, and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Chinese tailor has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to the head caused by being run into by Public Motor Car No. 227, in Des Voeux Road, near Queen Street.

It is notified that the Convention between the United Kingdom and Sweden respecting legal proceedings in civil and commercial matters which was signed at London on August 28, 1930, has been extended to this Colony as from September 3, 1931.

A Chinese woman, Fung Lin, (26), was sent to the Government Civil Hospital by her husband and later removed to the Public Mortuary, having died from the effects of opium poisoning. It is alleged that the woman took the drug in an attempt to commit suicide after a quarrel.

Rules made by the Chief Justice, with the concurrence of the Governor, under section 4 of the Sultors' Funds Ordinance, 1896, Ordinance No. 5 of 1896, as amended by the Sultors' Funds Amendment Ordinance, 1931, Ordinance No. 34 of 1931, on December 31, 1931, are published in the Government Gazette.

Personal Pars.

Will Rogers, the film artiste, left for Singapore yesterday.

Commander D. C. Lang, R.N., and Mrs. Lang left for Home yesterday.

Mr. H. L. King was a passenger for Singapore yesterday by the s.s. Rawalpindi.

The name of Mr. Victor Enok, M.B., B.S. (Hong Kong) of 23 Babinington Path, has been added to the Register of Medical Practitioners.

Sub-Inspector D. W. Barnett, of the Police Force, Mrs. Barnett and family, left for Home yesterday by the P. and O. s.s. Rawalpindi. Police Sergeant E. Thorpe, Mrs. Thorpe and son, left by the same steamer.

The Rev. C. B. Shann, M.A., Warden, St. John's Hall and Vice-President of the University Christian Association, left by the P. and O. s.s. Rawalpindi yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Shann, who, like her husband, is on the staff of the Church Missionary Society.

It is notified that in accordance with Section 7 of the St. Joseph's College Incorporation Ordinance, 1921, satisfactory evidence has been furnished to His Excellency the Governor by Brother Amor Matthias of his appointment as the Director in Hong Kong of St. Joseph's College.

APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Leonard Horace Vertue Booth to be Superintendent of Police, with effect from December 19, 1931.

Mr. Alfred Reginald Seymour Major to be an Assistant Superintendent of Police, with effect from December 11, 1931.

Mr. Walter Philip Thompson to be an Assistant Superintendent of Police, with effect from December 11, 1931.

Mr. Wong Kwong-tin to be a member of the Sanitary Board for a further term of three years, with effect from January 12, 1932.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A COMPLIMENT.

Sir,—Please accept my sincere thanks for the results obtained from my advertisement in your paper, in my desire to exchange stamps with people in Hong Kong. I have received so many replies I have been unable to answer all of them yet. Not only have I received letters from Hong Kong, but also from as far as New South Wales, Australia. I certainly was surprised to learn that your paper reached places so far away.

Again thanking you for this favour,

Yours, etc.,
JOS MEYER.
Regina, Sask, Canada,
November 26, 1931.

"THE MAN IN POSSESSION."

Sir,—I have just read the "Talkie Talks" by "Diane" published in the China Mail of Saturday, December 26 and, under the above heading, note the criticism reading in part of follows:—"The only fault I had to find was, the fact that the accent of the star was too American for a supposed Britisher." (The star is Robert Montgomery).

By stating she found fault with the "accent" Diane naturally leads her readers to believe that she has personally previewed this film and is giving them the benefit of her own opinion as critic for the China Mail.

I invite "Diane" to publish a reply to this letter stating whether or not she actually saw this film in the Queen's Theatre when it was being previewed.

Your issue of the 26th was on sale on the streets at noon and, therefore, must have been ready for release quite some time before that hour. The film arrived in the Colony on the 25th and was privately previewed for the first time by the writer and the Secretary of the Hong Kong Amusements Co., after 11 a.m., on the morning of the 26th. This preview was not completed until after 12 o'clock noon and I fail to understand how "Diane" could have seen this film and written her criticisms in time to be published in your issue of the 26th, which was on the streets before the very first screening was completed. Furthermore, the employees of the theatre state that your critic was not present at the private preview.

It is not the policy of my Company to complain about the criticisms of motion picture critics but, in view of the above circumstances, I cannot help feeling that "Diane" is being unfair to the picture, the Queen's Theatre, and the star (Mr. Montgomery).

"The Man in Possession" opens at the Queen's Theatre on January 1 and, if "Diane" wishes, I will be

HONG KONG FAIRY STORIES.

The British Government has made a tempting offer for the purchase of the Dent Monument.

It is proposed to erect it in Parliament Square.

The Hong Kong Government, however, with an eye to business, thinks Epstein should have the first refusal.

"A Constant Reader" has asked the Library Committee to allow him to pay for the high candle power globes now being installed in the City Hall Library.

A local acrobat has objected to the proposal to provide better facilities for reading the titles of books. He says he can see the bottom shelf easily by standing on his head.

"There is, however, this in common between the Chinese of Hong Kong and the people of Britain. Both are essentially abiding." (Daily paper.)

pleased to arrange a preview in order that she may judge for herself whether or not this picture will be well received by Hong Kong patrons, especially our British friends. If Diane accepts this invitation she will find that the leading lady opposite Robt. Montgomery is Irene Purcell (English) and that there are other English players in the cast, namely—C. Aubrey Smith, Reginald Owen, Beryl Mercer, Alan Mowbray, Maude Eburne, Forrester Harvey and York Sherwood. There are eight English actors and actresses out of a cast of ten players. Mr. Montgomery and Miss Charlotte Greenwood are American.

I can assure the British readers of "Diane's" column that they will not be displeased with the accent of any of the players in this picture.

Yours, etc.,
B. A. PROULX,
Manager.
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer of China.
Hong Kong, December 30.

IMPERIAL BABY WEEK.

Sir,—May we ask you once again to help us in regard to our Imperial Baby Week Challenge Shield Competition? This handsome silver challenge Shield is awarded annually for the best local Baby Week campaign held throughout the Empire, exclusive of the United Kingdom. For 1930/31 it was won by the Mombasa, Kenya Colony, Baby Week Committee, hence for the five years during which the competition has been in operation, the Shield has gone in turn to Bellary, Madras, India; Benoni, Transvaal, South Africa; Kolutara, Ceylon; Panadura, Ceylon; and Mombasa, Kenya Colony.

Enclosed herewith you will find two copies of the regulations governing the competition, and bulk supplies have been sent to each of the people and organisations whose names appear on the back page of the regulations.

We realise that the Press plays a very important part in arousing the public to a sense of the importance of maternity and child welfare, and we shall, therefore, be most grateful to you for any help you can give us in making this competition known. The closing date for the receipt of entries is June 1, 1932.

For your information we enclose herewith a report of the Mombasa Health and Baby Week, which was successful in winning the Shield for 1930/31. It is possible that you may like to refer to this report in any publicity which you are so kind as to give to the Imperial Competition.

Yours, etc.,
NORAH MARCOT,
Secretary.
London, November 10.

SYDNEY'S BRIDGE.

Plans for Several Days' Celebrations.

Sydney is making arrangements to start when the new giant bridge built across the harbour is opened on March 19.

A public committee are planning a big programme, and arrangements are being made to attract people from Britain, the United States, Canada, Africa and Europe.

Incidents in an historical pageant will include the landing of Captain Cook at Botany Bay in 1770, Governor Philip entering Sydney Cove in 1788, the explorers of 1813 turning the first sod of the first Australian railway in 1850, the discovery of gold in 1851, inauguration of Sydney University in 1852, Federation in 1900, the Great War, and the future of Australia.—British United Press.

The Bishops of Kingston and Woolwich are joint chairmen of the new emergency committee to defend the interests of those protesting against the use of the Oval for greyhound racing.

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vision of Professor Holmes.



Anita Page looks dazzling in
her evening wrap and it cannot
be wondered at that she is the
idol of all nationalities.



A charming group taken on the occasion of the wedding of
Carlos Vicente Marques and Miss Amalia Amanda Brandao in the
St. Margaret Mary Church, Happy Valley, last Saturday.—(Ying
Ming.)



The bride and bridegroom leaving the St. Margaret Mary
Church after the ceremony. The reception was held at the bride-
groom's apartments after which the happy couple left for Canton
where they are spending their honeymoon. The bride's travelling
dress was of champagne crepe-de-chine.—(Ying Ming.)



Teams representing the Y.M.C.A. and H.M.S. Suffolk photographed at half time during their re-
cent encounter at King's Park. After a game of fluctuating fortunes the "Y" ran out worthy win-
ners by five goals to four.—(Ying Ming.)



Christmas fare at Murray Barracks.—Members of the South Wales Borderers snapped when lis-
tening to a speech during the Christmas festival. H.E. Major-General Sandilands paid them a
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The WOMAN'S Page

WINTER BRIDES PREFER TAILORED LINGERIE

Unusual and Delicate Stitchery Is Appreciated.

[By Audrey Wrangham.]

return to quieter and simpler of dress seems to be forced in the distinct preference winter brides are showing for lingerie. In the big sunny at the Royal School of work, where so many young have chosen their trousseau, a special feature is being of the simple, exquisitely cut, with a plain V neck, with lines of punching, or a narrow turn-down collar, or shirt collar and bow same material.

At the same time the winter appreciates unusual and delicate stitchery on her lingerie. The lace in darkest mushroom and cocoa colour is "trailed" the crepe de Chine nightgown to follow the pattern of the Rouleaux of crepe de Chine and in with silk stitching, which takes the girls at the hours to perform to satisfaction. Punching by hand is another of ornamentation that is very popular, and there is a great deal of shirring and gauging on models.

Many all nightdresses now have of the same material, with a kerchief pocket on the right. Another garment which has been brought back by the re- of the tuck-in-bodice, with its "swirl" neck-line. Lingerie now consist of camisole and chemise and nightdress.

Winter brides always prefer the lawn to crepe de Chine, and a material which finds Royal Girls at the Royal School. The work is busy now on a Royal order for lingerie of lawn, edged with British lace and with tiny sprays of

the Duchess of York pre-

rides at the Christmas sale at the school to-day she will be shown the new boudoir coats and rest-wraps of British velvet in old rose pink and sapphire blue, edged with beige lace and lined with satin or crepe de Chine. Each has a boudoir cap of the same lace, shirred and turned back from the face. "Nelson" cloth is the very British name of a fabric that looks like velvet, with a smooth surface and is washable. It is made up into dressing gowns, either tailored or cut kimono fashion and fur trimmed.

Of silk crepe in broken check patterns are travelling dressing gowns in all colours which can be slipped into the dainty and useful hold-alls which are made for the honeymoon at the school. These hold-alls look like large soft pouches. When opened they reveal pockets containing a manicure set, which folds up in its padded case, a sponge case lined with rubber, a case fitted with needles, press hooks and buttons, another fitted with pins and safety pins, a case for beads or odd jewellery that is not put into the jewel case at night, and a place for night-dress and slippers.

In black lined with peach, or in colours embroidered with flower borders, these honeymoon hold-alls are useful for night journeys in trains to Scotland or Ireland.

Lady May Abel-Smith selected some attractive things for her trousseau at the school, where little bolster cushions for the neck are made of gay-patterned silks. A novelty that winter brides who have chosen backless frocks will appreciate is the back-wrap, a three-cornered piece of black beige or coloured velvet with a wide edging of shadow silk lace to match, that can be slipped over the back at dinner or in the intervals of a dance.

ARTFUL SIMPLICITY.

Apparently unstudied effect is the very skillful work of an expert. It would be curious could just comb our short with ease all over our head, attain the carefully-made "nest" look at the back, and by a few careless curls in front!

Now "swirl" is a rather com- affair, but is becoming to women. The top of the head is flat, and there is no parting. Tight curls at the side lie flat in front, and the back is a over to meet them; thus the face is softly framed and the head left free.

Another style of hairdressing, is new and ultra-chic, is for to be cut short, but brushed back to front, where the form a sort of fringe of hair, very straight if desired, but tight.

"Swirled" effect from back is interesting, for it gives a line without the hard mas- line at the back, and has to commend it.

A STRATHSPEY WEDDING.

Unless you take kindly to the idea of having your feet and your face smothered with soot and blacking, don't go to Strathspey to be married. It is the custom in that part of Scotland to shadow the happy pair on the eve of the wedding, break in on them, in the bride's home preferably, and proceed with the blacking of the two most closely concerned, as well as the members of their families and their bridal attendants who are present.

This custom was carried out at the marriage of P. C. Liang, of the Morayshire Police Force, to Miss Mackintosh. Zealous friends, anxious to uphold the tradition, stretched the constable and his bride full length on the kitchen floor and, removing their shoes, smeared their feet and ankles with soot and blacking. There faces afterwards received the same attention.

Afterwards the best man and the bridesmaid were treated, and when members of the families had been blackened, the washers started on each other. At the end of the ceremony they looked like a nigger minstrel troupe.



BRITISH ROUGES ARE SAFE.

Many women have been alarmed to hear that white lead enters into the composition of modern lipsticks and rouges. This is highly poisonous, and may cause serious disease. British beauty specialists, however, who make up their own rouges in laboratories with the aid of British labour, are using only vegetable colourings.

The juice of beetroot, to which is added a little cochineal, is the foundation of a new vegetable lip rouge put up in a scarlet pot to match, made by one specialist. A new vegetable powder rouge, also made up by this woman from a chemist's formula, is a deep plum colour for brunettes and an old rose for blondes.

RIBBON BRACELETS.

Ribbon bracelets are a fashion note of the moment. At London's largest dinner dance in mail week a guest wearing one of the new and very smart brown lace frocks had a bracelet of brown ribbon finished with a little bow on each wrist.

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When you want something very light try a dish of Lemon Snow. For this melt 1 oz. of gelatine in a little hot water.

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Evening dresses continue to provide fresh proof that it is never safe to judge by appearance. In other words, one has to look at both sides of a dress in order to obtain a clear idea of its character.

It often happens that the most interesting features of a dress are at the back. Take for example a black ring velvet dress which can be seen in the ready-to-wear salons of a well-known London shop.

The front is plain, but the back is distinguished by an elegant bustle frill and a rather elaborate strap design which compensates for the backless nature of the bodice.

Every woman ought to have a black velvet afternoon dress. It will serve, at a pinch, not only for afternoon occasions, but also as a theatre or restaurant frock in the evening. Velvet is as good a background both for lace and fur.

A jolly little black ring velvet afternoon frock in Jay's ready-to-wear salons has a yoke and

cavalier cuffs of deep cream lace. This is a charming dress for a youthful wearer. An older woman can wear the same sort of dress, but for her cuffs and a collar of oyster coloured satin replace those made from lace.

Contrasts are fashionable, and one way of achieving contrast is to use dull lace and velvet in one and the same model. A black lace dress, for example, looks very well with a black velvet coat which can be exchanged for one made from coloured velvet or printed or gold or silver lame when the owner wants a change from an all-black dress.

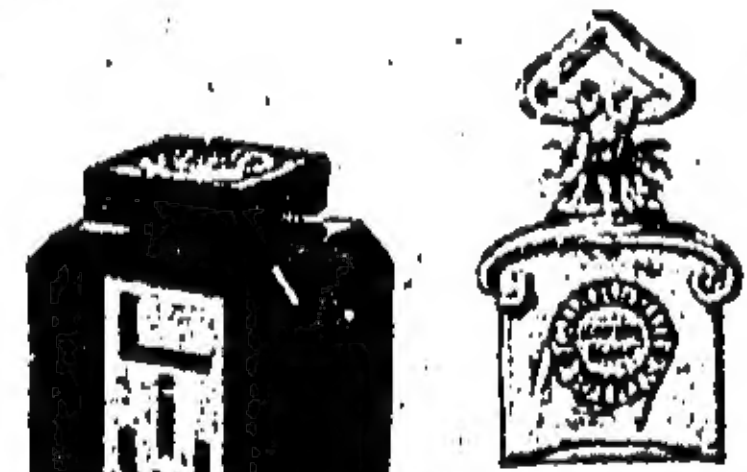
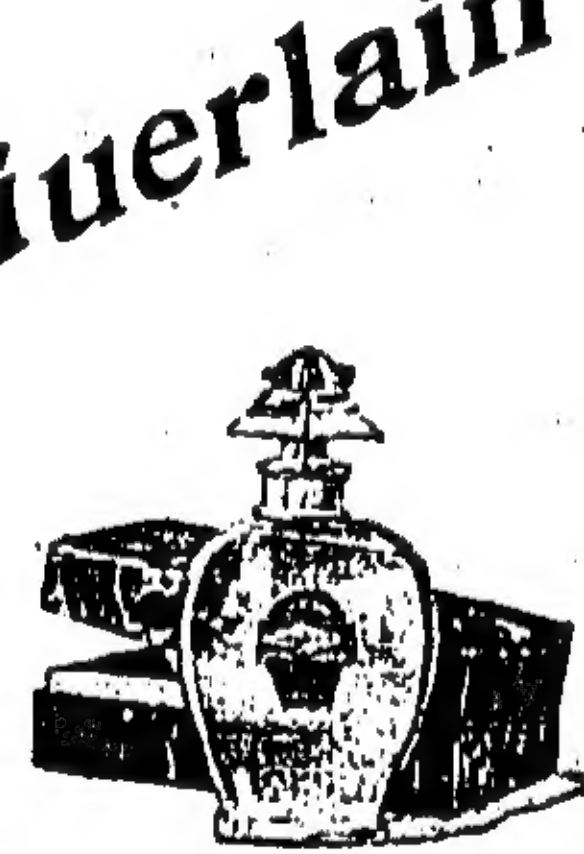
Georgette or satin is often the background for embroidery and to enliven an evening dress. Sometimes this embroidery is restricted only to the very narrow shoulder straps, at other times it appears also on the bodice of a frock.

On one evening dress of turquoise coloured georgette diamonds and silver lined bugles are used both on the shoulder straps and on the bodice, where it is arranged to give the effect of a short bolero.

Another dress of bronze brown satin has a yoke of taupe coloured chiffon embroidered with diamonds and bronze beads.

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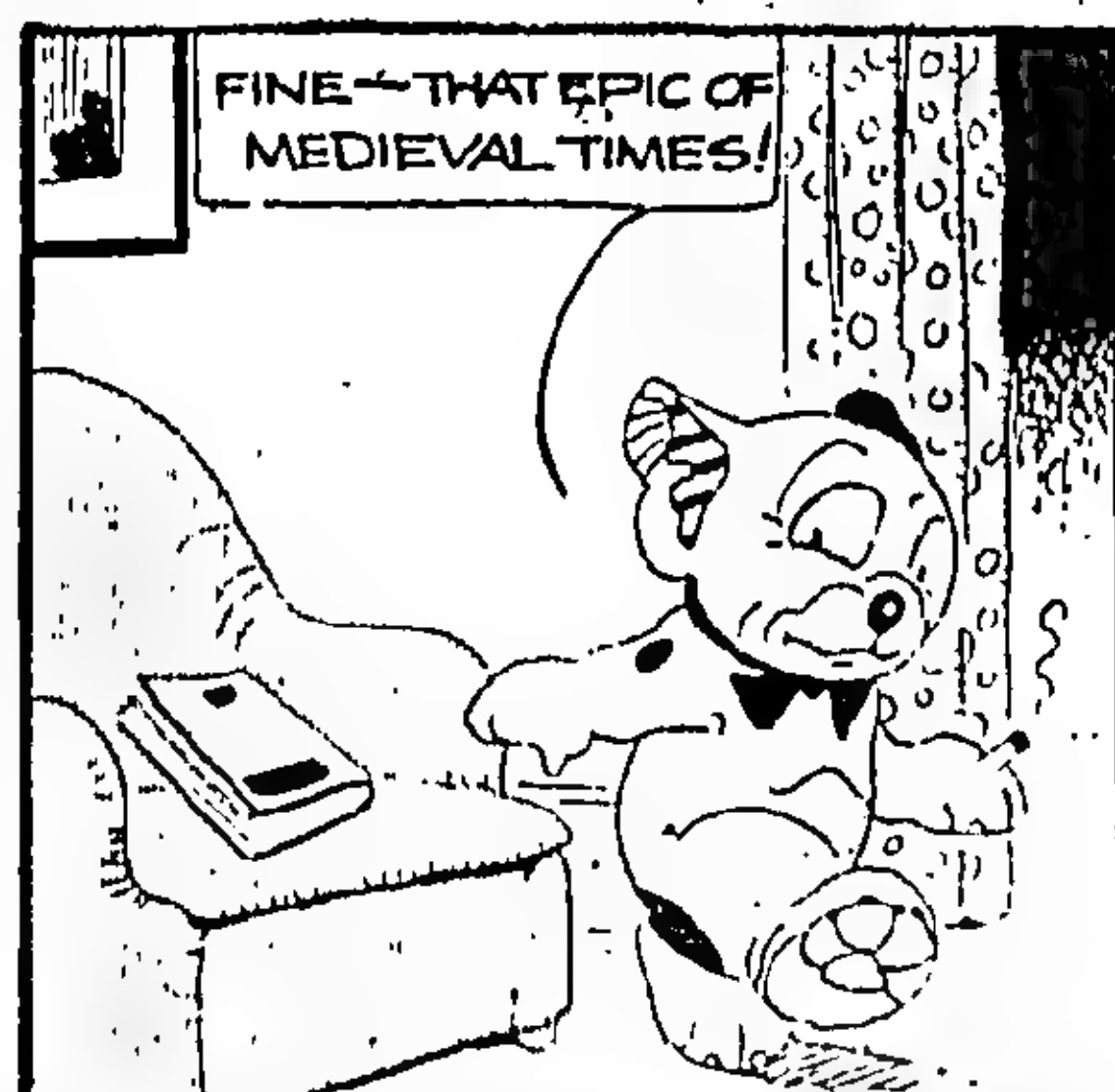
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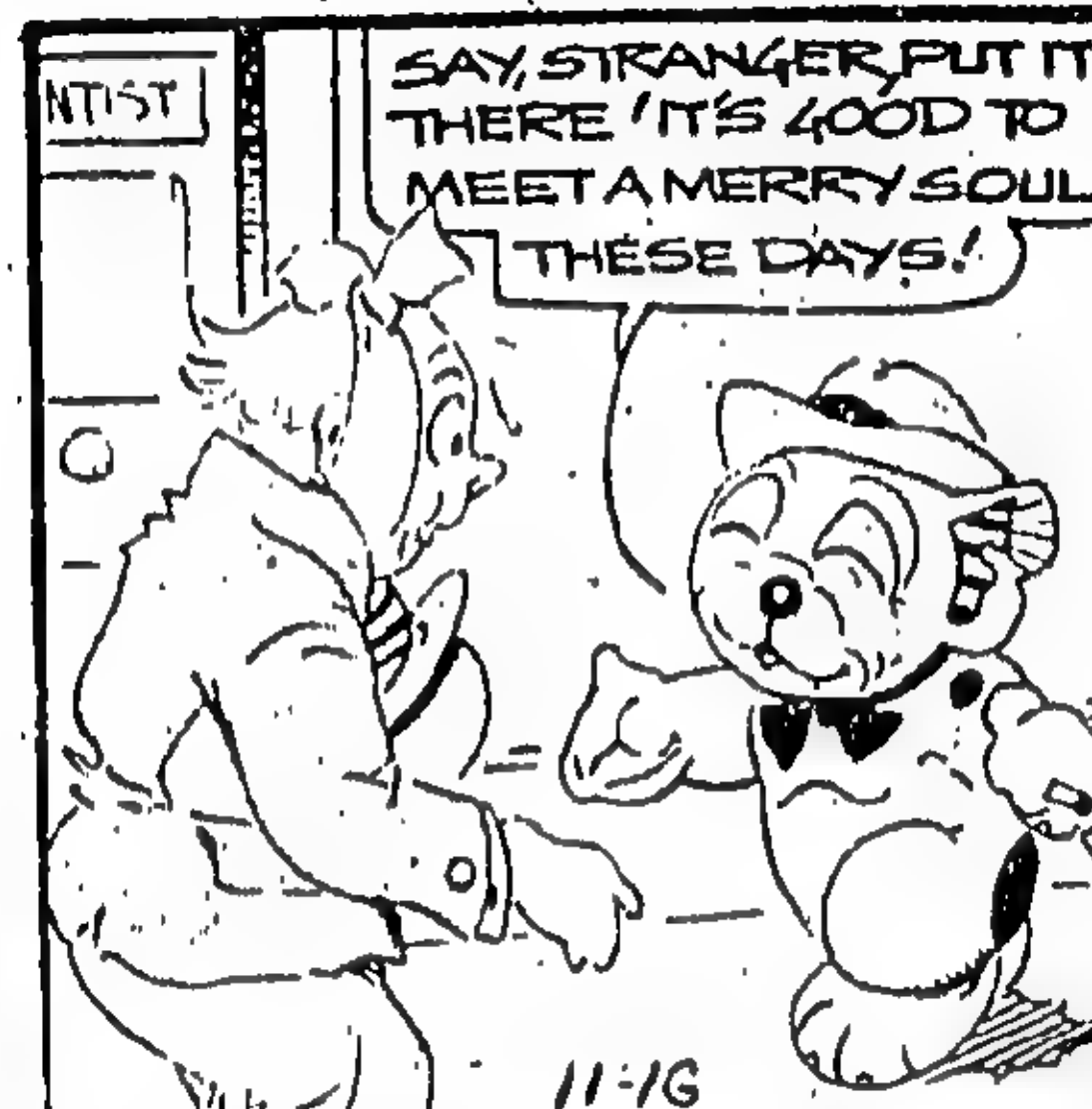
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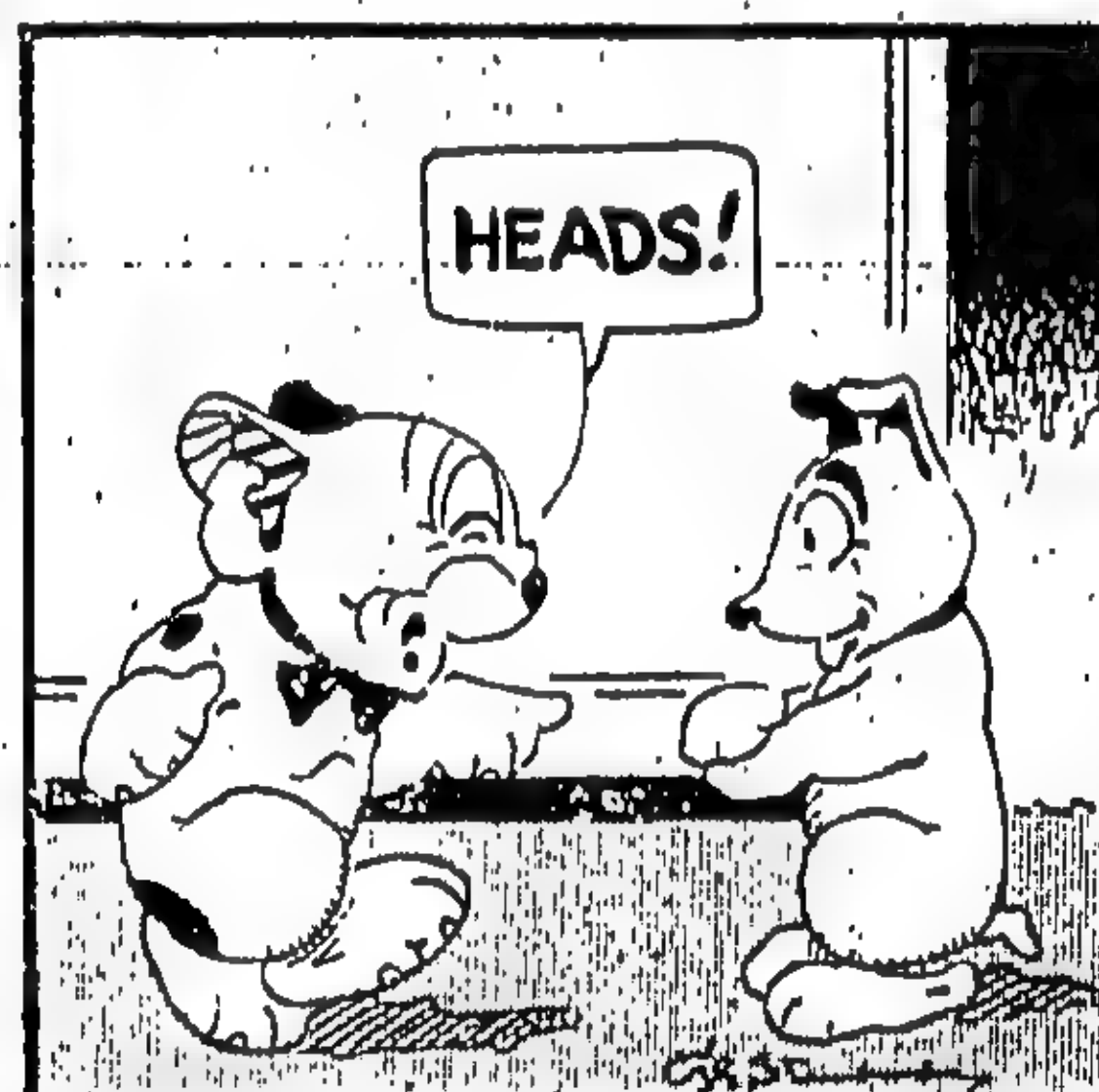
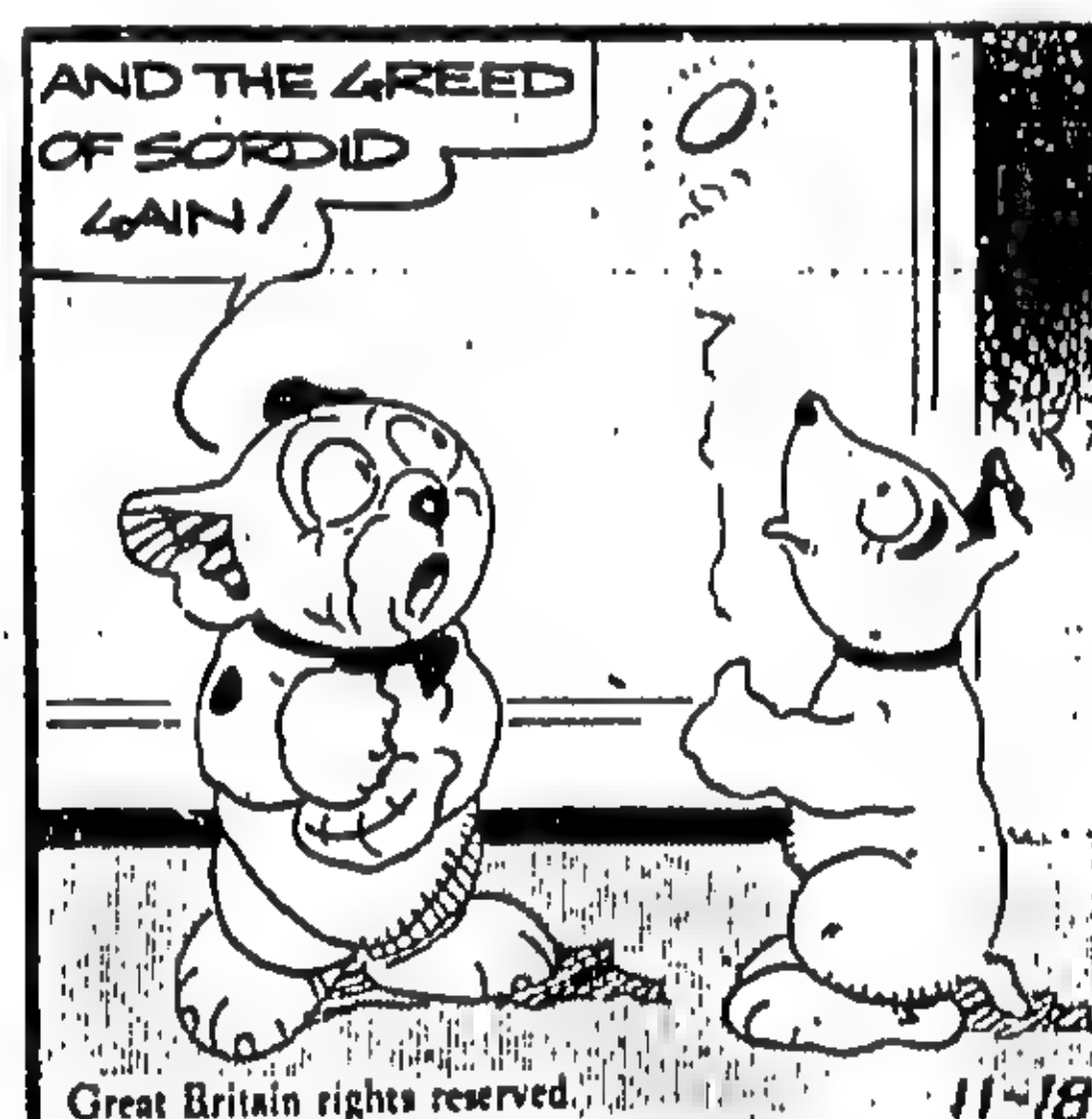
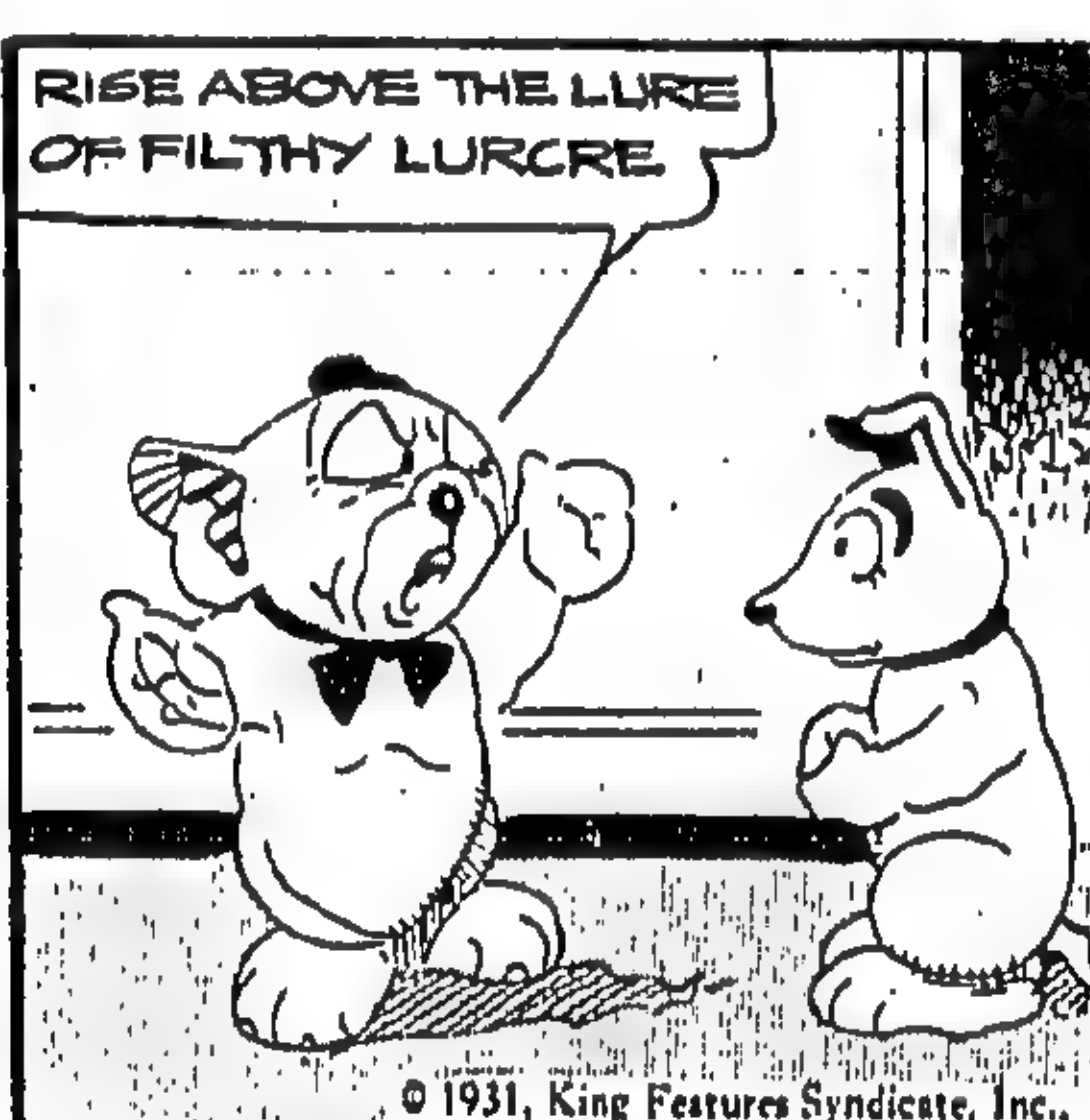
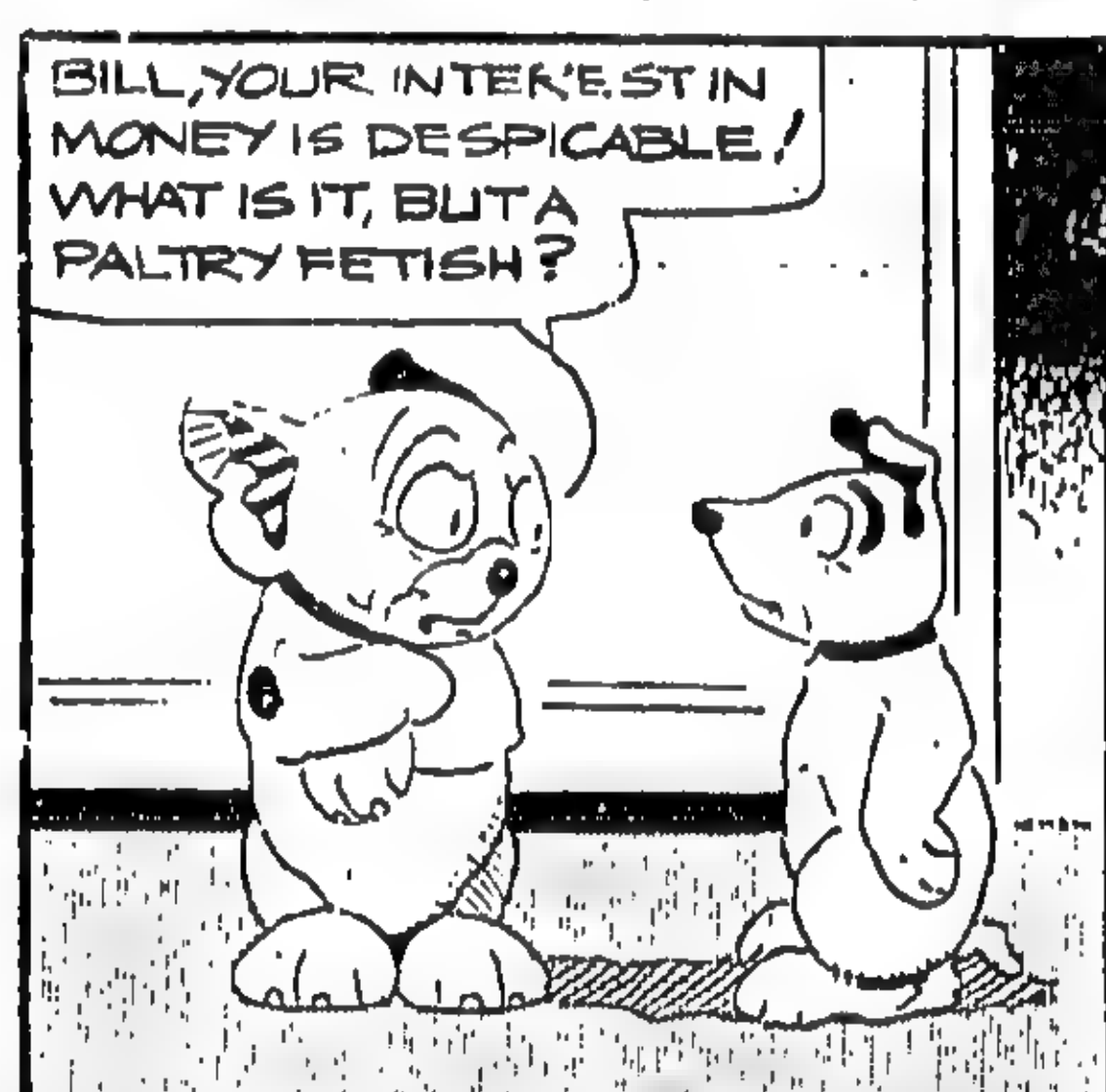
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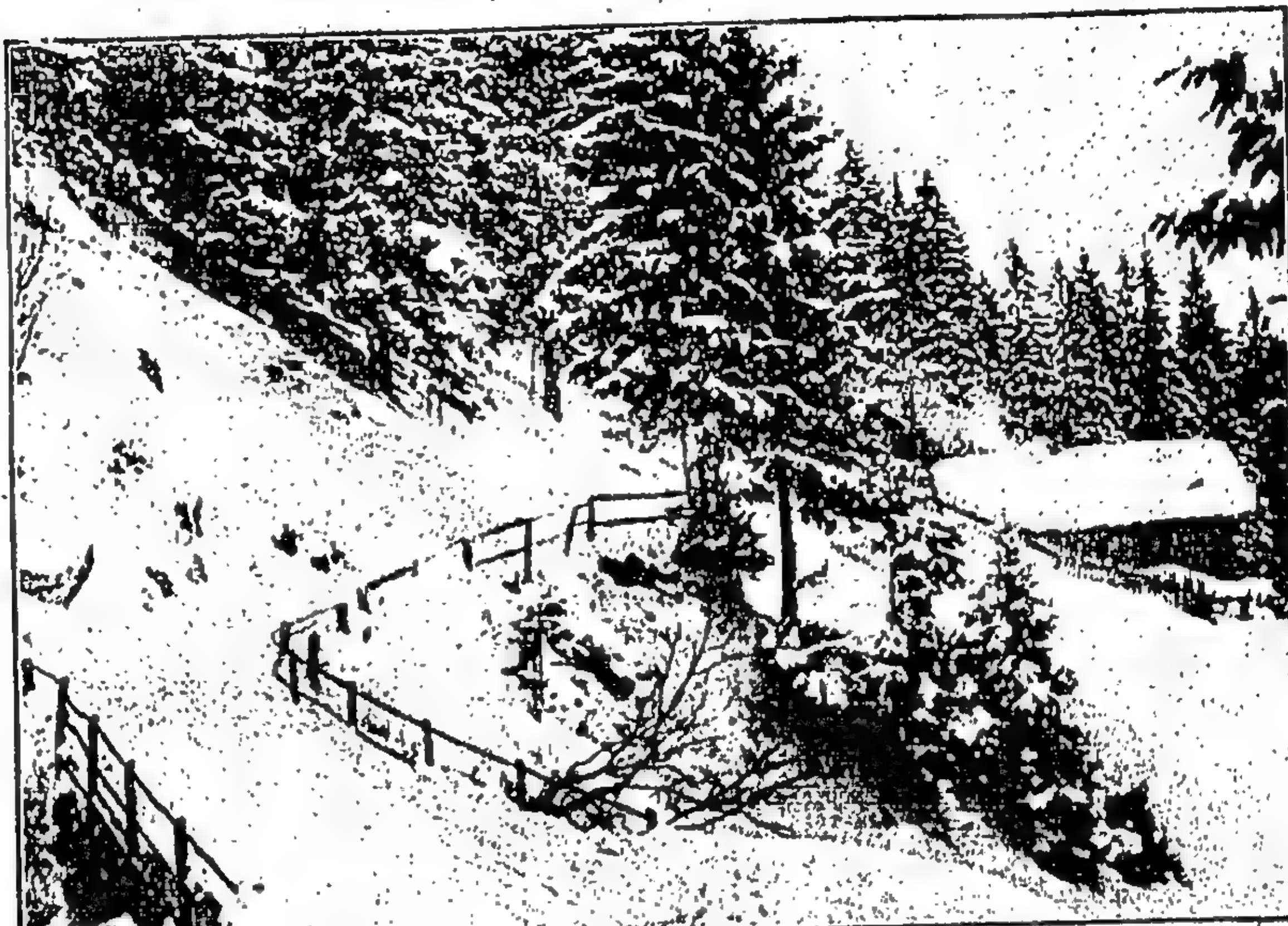
Basketball is gaining greatly in popularity among the Chinese. Above is a group photograph of the powerful Chinese Y.M.C.A. team who have gone from success to success.—(Ying Ming.)



Lela Hyams, the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer player, has definitely made a hit in the talking pictures. Her admirers are as the pebbles of the beach.



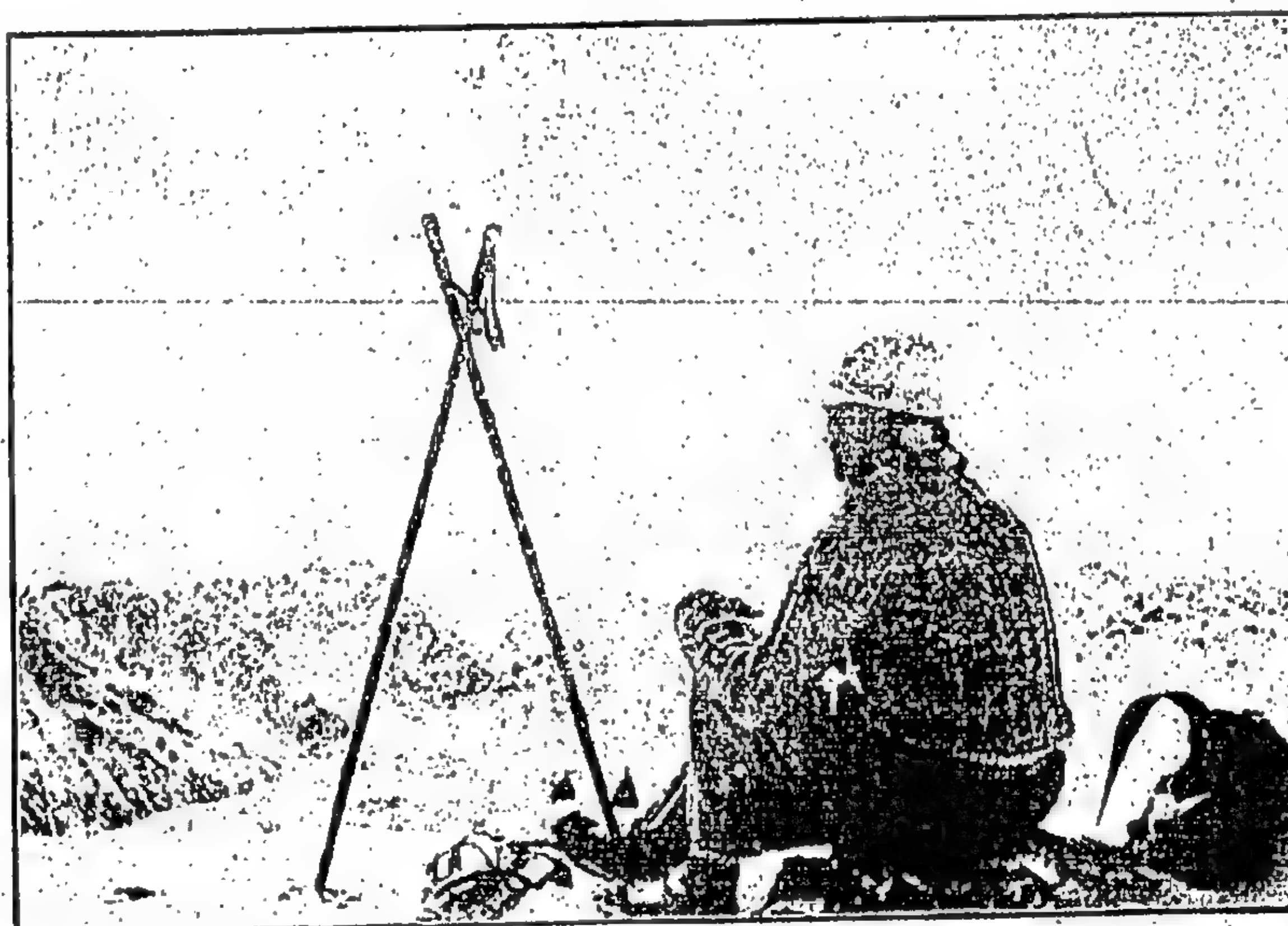
Pulsating drama supported by hilarious comedy crown "Transatlantic," now showing at the King's Theatre, one of the best films of the era.



Bitter cold was experienced all over the Continent during Christmas and the latter days of 1931. Above is a photograph taken in Switzerland where fierce blizzards and snow storms left their mark on the surrounding country.



Will Rogers, the world famous American comedian, passed through Hong Kong yesterday on board the President Taft. A special interview appears on one of the news pages in this issue.



Having scaled one of the many peaks surrounding him, the skier takes a well-earned rest and views the panorama before him. The Alps during the recent cold spell were almost out of the reach of man and no one was expected to survive a climb but this hardy veteran forsook all to gain all. This picture was taken with a Leitz camera and enjoyed.



Grace Moore, a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer player, rests between scenes in her studio dressing room. The colour scheme of the dressing suite is silver and peach.



A Dance Poem, by Joan Crawford, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer star. An interpreter of her own dance steps, Miss Crawford originated this graceful number which is carried out to slow waltz music. Wearing a black and white lace pajama costume which allows freedom for the motions, she executes the steps with awaying body motions. Starting with the right toe pointed and the body leaning forward, arms relaxed. Next the arms are stretched out as the body swings forward, right knee bent. With the body in the same pose, the arms extend forward in appealing motion, the head thrown back.

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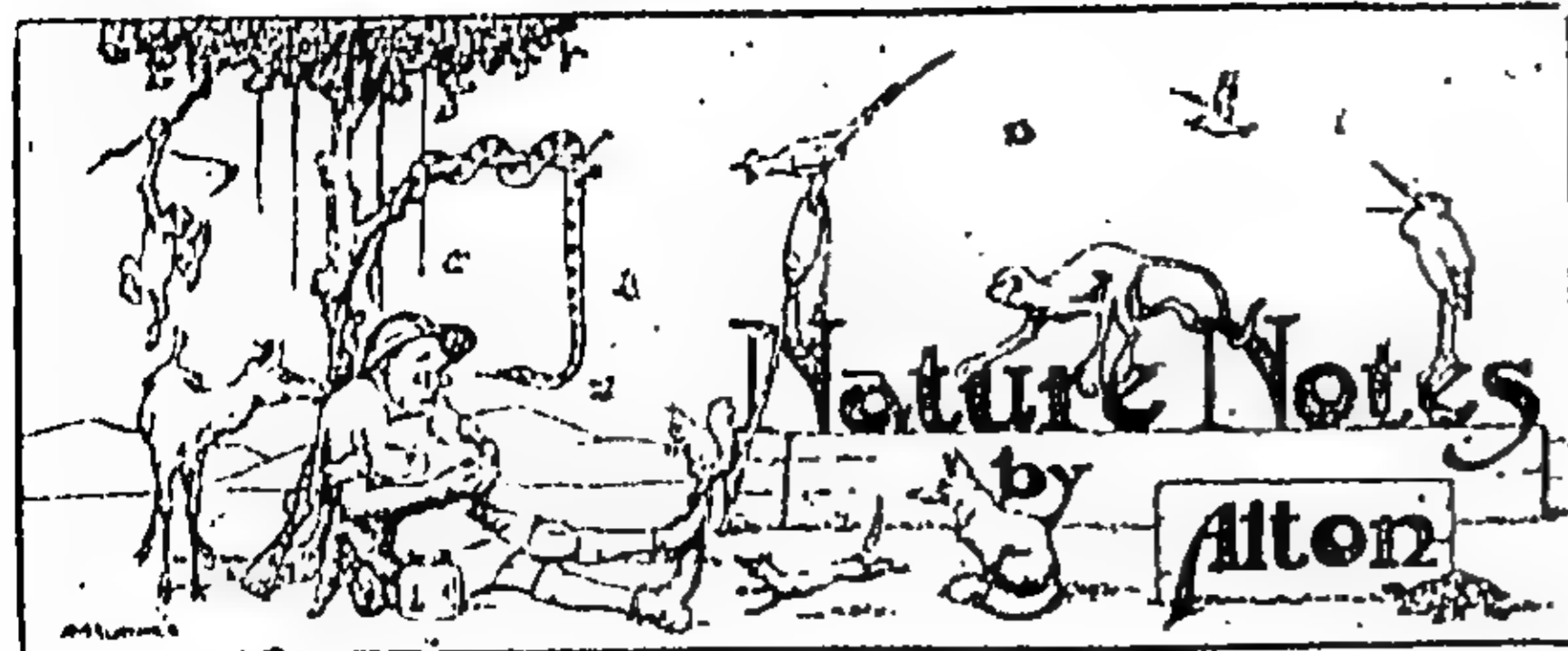
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The Kowloon Hills.

Boxing Day is, for obvious reasons, an excellent day for a walk, so last Saturday two of us decided to go for a stroll in the New Territories. We treated ourselves to the luxury of a taxi-ride from Kowloon Ferry to the Dairy Farm on Customs' Pass; (this cost, by the way, \$2.30). From here we walked slowly up the pass pausing en route to look for, and find *Leuca chinensis* now in fruit. On the way down the northern side we halted to eat our fill and to observe the many birds that frequented the wooded slopes. There were a number of Eastern Tree Pigeons, Tits, and Chinese Silver-eyes, and near the streams, Violet Whistling Thrushes. Both the Little Blue Kingfisher and the white-breasted Kingfisher were seen, one of each only, and of course the common Babbler and Thrushes and Mynahs.

Delta Pass.

Near the north end of Hebe Haven we turned left and followed a path running roughly north west first up the valley of a stream then up, along, and over a shoulder to join a path from Sai Kung. We were now on Delta Pass and followed it in a westerly direction mounting gradually to a height of about 1,000 feet. On looking back we enjoyed a magnificent view of Port Shelter; to the West we could see the southern end of Tide Cove and to the North, Ma-on-shan and the Hunchbacks. Down a winding path to the village of Man Ping at the foot of Buffalo Hill. From this village there is an alternative route home by going on down the Pass in a north-westerly direction then West and south-west down Turret Pass or round the shoulder of Buffalo Hill to Sia Lik Yuen and from there to Shatin.

Buffalo Pass.

We chose the longer route up Buffalo Pass to the top of Heather Pass. I consider that this next part of the walk to be one of the most beautiful, easily accessible,

walks in the Territories. The path is good and not too steep and the views, ever changing with the meanders of the path, superb. The path goes due south on the western side of One Rise More then west along the northern side of Tate's Ridge to the top of Grasscutters' Pass. From here we descended south through the pinewoods and so back to Kowloon.

The Wild Hydrangea.

By far the most interesting plant seen was the shrub *Dicentra fruticosa*, the so-called wild Hydrangea. This plant is in the same family as the Hydrangea, namely the SAXIFRAGACEAE. The only other locality from which I know this plant is the Peak; it grows both by the side of the Peak Tram and on the banks by the Peak Road. But, whereas it is by no means common on the Peak, it appeared to be very abundant on Buffalo and Heather Passes and, moreover, what interested me greatly was the fact that the villagers at Man Ping were cultivating it in their gardens. The shrubs were in fruit, the masses of berries were of a pale blue tint, almost a Cambridge blue.

The Local Kingfishers.

In these and the last "Notes" have referred to three of our five local species of Kingfishers, the fourth species the Chinese Pied Kingfisher, *Ceryle rudis insignis*, is resident all the year round but is confined to the marshes and larger slowly flowing streams of the Territories so is not as likely to be met with. The fifth, the Black-capped Kingfisher, is rarely seen here in the Winter though it is probably our commonest Spring and Summer visitant Kingfisher nesting on the Peak and elsewhere. It is interesting to record that a friend saw one specimen of this species in the Territories last week—the scientific name is *Halecyon pinnata*. It can easily be identified by its black crown, white collar, a small white patch on the breast and deep violet blue on the upper parts.

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Lieut.-Comdr. (E) to Comdr. (E) (6).—W. H. Taylor-Young, R. C. W. Bett, E. Watson, W. S. Jamieson, and H. F. Fellows.

Eng. Lieut.-Comdr. to Eng.-Comdr. (4).—S. F. Heraud, L. C. S. Nounke, K. D. P. Hall-Patch, and H. H. R. Brown.

Surg.-Comdr. to Surg.-Capt. (2).—G. F. Syms and S. Bradbury.

Pay-Comdr. to Pay-Capt. (1).—H. M. Boxer.

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Mr. Silva arrived by the s.s. Chitral on New Year's Day to take up his work as agent of the Sun Life Insurance Company of Canada, after being connected with the concern in London for 1½ years.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres:

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(a) Kyrie (Missa Eucharistica—D. L. Perosi).

(b) Sermon: "The Holy Name of Jesus" by the Rev. Father D. MacDonald, S.J.

(c) Offertory—"Adeste Fideles" (Novello).

(d) Sanctus, Benedictus & Agnus Dei (D. L. Perosi).

11—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:—

(a) O Salutaris.

(b) Veni Creator.

(c) Tantum Ergo.

(d) Adoramus.

11 a.m.—2 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

2 p.m.—Close Down.

8-10 p.m.—European Recorded Programme.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.04-8.40 p.m.—Operatic.

Orchestral—

Carmen Suite—Intermezzo and Les Dragons d'Alcala (Bizet).

Carmen Suite—Gypsy Dance (Bizet). Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra (6873).

Song—

Jeune d'Arc—Adieu, forests (Tchikowsky).

Herodinde—Il est doux, il est bon (Massenet).

Maria Jeriza (Soprano) (6804).

Orchestral—

Madame Butterfly—Fantasia (Puccini).

Victor Symphony Orchestra (37188).

Song—

Martha—M'Appari (Flotow), African—O Paradiso! (Meyerbeer).

Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) (7109).

8.40-9.20 p.m.—

Quartet No. 16 in F Major (Beethoven Op. 135).

Played by the Flonzaley Quartet (M-8).

9.20-10 p.m.—

In a Persian Garden Suite (from the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam) (Liza Lehmann).

Played by Harold Pedlar (Pianist), Dora Labbotte (Soprano), Muriel Brunsell (Contralto), Hubert Elsdell (Tenor) & Harold Williams (Baritone) (9598-9602).

10 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

All records in the above European programme are kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Moutrie & Co., the Anderson Music Co., and Tsang Pook Piano Co.

ESTATE DUTY.

The draft of a Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to estate duty is published in the Government Gazette.

The objects and reasons stated: This Bill consolidates the Ordinances relating to Estate Duty, Ordinance No. 16 of 1915 and Ordinance No. 6 of 1931 with slight amendments which are indicated in the table of correspondence attached to it.

Frances, Countess of Warwick, and Lady Seaford. In addition to the dancing, there is to be a mid-night cabaret and a number of competitions.

It is only a few months since the Anglo-German Club was formed to promote friendly relations between the two countries, and it was during the visit to London of Dr. Brüning, the German Chancellor, that the first dinner was held.



OUR LONDON LETTER.

London, December 1.

Parliament is proving anything but the dull place that some people prophesied after the election. This week especially is giving the 200 new members a notable illustration of what hard work can mean at Westminster, with debates on three subjects of first-class importance crowded into four days. There are indeed, so many urgent problems still to be considered that, with the earliest, the House will be unable to rise for the Christmas recess before the end of next week.

The two-days' debate on India, which opens to-morrow, will bring most of the oratorical big guns into action. In addition to the Prime Minister, Mr. Baldwin, Sir Samuel Hoare, Sir John Simon, Mr. Churchill, and Mr. Lansbury are all to take part.

Frane a' the Airts.

Last night's St. Andrew's Night "Frane a' the Airts" broadcast, which took the form of a sentimental journey through Scotland, proved once again that even when the weather is at its worst, as it is now that the fog send has arrived in earnest, with the wireless for the home it is impossible to feel bored. Scottish broadcasts are extraordinarily popular in London, and last night's experience was one of the best.

On the previous night I tuned in to Prague to hear a truly splendid relay from America of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by the great Toscanini. It seems an amazing thing to me that there are still some people who grudge the cost of a wireless licence.

New British Opera.

"The Devil Take Her!" There's a nice sentiment for you, but it isn't mine. It is as old as the hills, and concerns the tale of a silent wife and a poet-husband, who adored her until a travelling quack loosened her tongue and she became a shrew, all to prove that silence can be golden even in a woman.

Anyhow, it has been used for the libretto of Arthur Benjamin's new British opera, which Sir Thomas



Sir T. Beecham.

Beecham is conducting at the Royal College of Music to-night and to-morrow. The author was a young Australian who died last Easter, and the composer is a professor at the college—the piano; I believe Sir Thomas himself can also write F.R.C.M. after his name.

An Actor's Play.

Actor-playwrights are not too numerous. A notable example is Mr. Frank Vosper, whose "Murder on the Second Floor" was such a success, and to-night, at the Criterion, we are to see the first work of Mr. Arthur Macrae, another young actor of ability. His play, "Flat to Let," which is described as the lightest and slightest of comedies, was written specially for Miss Lilian Braithwaite, who has the role of a scatter-brained daughter, who eventually marries an elderly Peer, a part played by Mr. Athole Stewart.

This is the only first-night of the week, though the comedy, "Britannia of Billingsgate" was transferred to St. Martin's last night from the Embassy.

Anglo-German Ball.

Many well-known Society hostesses are taking a keen interest in the Anglo-German ball, which is to be held at the Piccadilly Hotel, on Thursday night, and is the first function of its kind since 1914. They include Baroness von Neurath, wife of the German Ambassador; Viscountess D'Abernon, Lady Lavery, Viscountess Snowden,

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A GREAT NEED.

Wanted — A Choral Society.

OUTLET FOR ENTHUSIASM.

The performance of the Christmas music from "The Messiah" in the Union Church on Sunday left one with mixed feelings—those of pride and satisfaction that Hong Kong can produce the artists and singers necessary for oratorio, and disappointment that it will probably be months, possibly a year before we shall again hear any part of this, or any other oratorio.

It is true that we have a Philharmonic Society, but it is true also that there seems little prospect of this Society, somewhat mis-named, producing anything but light comedy or comic opera. This is, of course, praiseworthy, and undoubtedly satisfies a need, but to music-lovers there is a great yearning for something nobler and more satisfying.

A Boon.

There are many in the Colony, too, who have neither the historic ability nor the desire to take part in musical comedy: many who have voices of the average man and woman, keenly interested in music and choir singing to whom a Choral Society would be a boon, and an outlet for their enthusiasm.

Listening to "The Messiah" choruses in the Union Church would have convinced anyone of this. A chorus of about thirty singers produced an astonishing volume of sound, in perfect harmony and tune: and the enthusiasm and enjoyment of the singers themselves were evident. The orchestra, too, of ten strings and piano played the Overture and Pastoral Symphony in a manner which indicated the possibilities of development in this direction also. The whole performance, indeed, indicated that Hong Kong could, if it liked, produce "The Messiah" in a manner equal to, if not better than, any provincial city in Britain.

How to Form One. It is interesting to speculate how the formation of a Choral Society could be accomplished. It should be easy, and require merely the initiative of one of our well known musicians—and Hong Kong has many—and the co-operation of local singers and instrumentalists, supplemented, if necessary and possible, by the ser-

vices of some of our Service bandsmen.

We do not lack soloists. Many could be named, in addition to the three on Sunday, who are capable of oratorio; and who can foresee the discovery of other voices, which might be the result of regular Choral Society work?

An Inspiration.

Let it be hoped then, that the small and wonderfully effective effort of the Union Church Choir, will inspire our local musicians to the development in Hong Kong of a real Choral Society, and it should be easy to visualise an annual performance of "The Messiah" and not only "The Messiah" but performances of "Elijah," "The Last Judgment," or even one of the sublime "Passions," to name a few of the religious works, to say nothing of the large range of secular works such as "Hallelujahs," which it should be possible to produce by such a Society.

U.S. NAVY 'STARVED'

Charges Made Against President Hoover.

Washington.

The United States Navy League have reaffirmed their charges that President Hoover is "starving" the Navy.

A new pamphlet attacks both the President and his Commission which recently investigated the League's statement that President Hoover was ignorant of Navy conditions. The League now alleged that the present appropriation is not even enough for the maintenance of the fleet at the present strength.

It asserts that \$38,000,000 are required for this year's naval construction, whereas President Hoover has appropriated only \$10,000,000.—Exchange.

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Hongkong Sunday Herald
MOTORING SECTION

HONG KONG, JAN. 3, 1932.

20 PER CENT. OF ANNUAL EXPENDITURE

When the history of the present generation is written one of the most striking things that will go on record will be the remarkable growth of the use of the automobile and its far-reaching effects on civilisation.

None but a visionary would 15 years ago have had the temerity even to suggest that the day was not far ahead when one of the world's largest nations would disburse nearly 20 per cent. of its annual expenditure per medium of retail establishments on automobiles or automobile necessities. Yet this is exactly what has happened in the United States.

Statistics recently issued by the U.S.A. Department of Commerce disclose some interesting figures about how America's 120 million of people annually disburse the major portion of their incomes. It is stated that there are 1,549,168 retail outlets for every description of merchandise in U.S.A., with an annual turnover of approximately 10,000 million pounds, equal to an annual per capita expenditure of \$34 17s. 9d.

Careful and intensive research has shown that out of the per capita expenditure mentioned \$19 3s. 9d. is spent yearly on food, \$16 14s. 0d. on automobiles, \$12 2s. 3d. on general merchandise, \$7 6s. 3d. on apparel, \$6 3s. 3d. on buildings, \$3 17s. 6d. on furniture and household effects, \$2 1s. 0d. on farm implements, farmers' supplies, etc., \$18s. 3d. on jewellery, 18s. 3d. on radio and 14s. on tobacco.

Amazing Figures. These figures are, of course, based on every man, woman, and child in U.S.A. It is of interest to compare the relative expenditure on automobiles and radio, the former being \$16 14s. 0d., as against 18s. 3d. spent annually on wireless.

The amazing part that motoring activities now play in the life of the American nation is strikingly told in the fact that, next to food, the greatest expenditure is on automobiles. All

told, the 253,322 outlets for automobiles and their essentials annually sell over \$1,909,000,000 worth of products, as against food sales totalling \$2,280,000,000 by 497,715 stores.

The percentage of food sales in retail stores for the nation is 22.6 per cent., while the percentage of expenditure on automobiles is 19.08 per cent. of total retail sales.

It is interesting to note that the 124,000 petrol filling stations in U.S.A. do a business of nearly \$280,000,000 annually, whereas 135,600 restaurants and eating-houses have a turnover of \$419,000,000. These figures are indeed striking, and, in a lesser degree, apply to-day throughout the world, because motor transportation is one of the key activities in modern life.

MOTORS AND EDUCATION.

Every day 42,000 motor-buses all over the United States are carrying 2,000,000 children to and from 17,000 schools. The services cost the States about \$8,000,000 annually. In the period of bus transportation growth, between 1918 and 1928, one-room rural schools diminished in number from 195,000 to 153,000, and consolidated schools increased from 5,000 to 17,000.

and to prove this I have only to point out that the modern racing car that is capable of achieving speeds of anything between 115 to 130 m.p.h. weighs something in the region of 15cwt.

"It will, therefore, be clearly seen and understood how aviation experimental work greatly assists the motor-car manufacturer, and what a large part therein is played by the metallurgist."

SIR M. CAMPBELL ON LIGHT CARS.

AVIATION'S AID.

Reduction in Weight Predicted.

(By Sir Malcolm Campbell.)

According to Captain Sir Malcolm Campbell, who is motoring editor of The Field, the automobile industry gains enormously from the lessons learned by Britain's aeroplane manufacturers.

"Weight means so much in the air," said the famous motorist, "but at the same time strength must not be sacrificed at any cost. We find now that the latest metals employed in aeroplane work give the necessary strength with the minimum of weight, and already this practice is being employed in modern car construction."

"We find that the modern car has aluminium cylinders with cast iron liners, also in many cases duralumin connecting rods are now being used instead of steel, and all this means a great saving in weight. I venture to predict that the future will see our large cars weighing 15 cwt. to 20 cwt. at the outside, instead of the present 35cwt. to 2 tons, and that the baby-type of vehicle will turn the scale at under 5cwt."

"This reduction in weight will mean a saving in prime cost, a great reduction in running costs, as well as a far more efficient all-round performance, power to weight ratio being the determining factor. It does not necessarily mean that because a car is light that it will not hold the road when driven at high speeds, (Continued in preceding column.)"

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For many years the automobile industry has been combating the idea that its product is a luxury and should be taxed and regulated as such. Because the first automobiles were high in price they appeared on the road as the expensive toys of the rich. As time went on mass production brought about price reduction and the automobile came into general use, not only as a means of private personal transportation, but as a freight carrier.

Many countries still base their import duties and their local taxation of motor vehicles on the idea that they are a luxury, completely ignoring the fact that no modern nation can compete with other nations in economic progress without motor transportation and good roads.

To-day 90 per cent. of all automobile travel is commercial

and essential. Not more than 10 per cent. is luxury. Here is a truth which needs to be brought home to public officials, bankers, and the general public.

Perhaps the use of the word "joy-ride" has helped to continue the idea that the automobile is a luxury. It is pretty hard to define just what is a joy-ride. When you drive out with your family for a picnic on Sunday, that may be a luxury. I am not so sure that it is a luxury, but maybe it is. If you drive for pleasure or for social purposes that's a luxury. In other words only three uses of automobiles can be classed as luxuries—joy-rides, picnics and pleasure—social driving.

Let's look at the other side of the picture. Necessary and commercial uses of automobiles include:—

All truck traffic.

All bus traffic. All taxicab and hire car traffic, because taxicabs earn a livelihood for owners and drivers.

All salesmen's cars.

All business cars.

Cars used for private transportation, other than for joy-riding.

Cars owned by farmers.

Cars owned by professional people, doctors, etc.

Cars owned by public utility companies—light, power, telephone, etc.

Official and Governmental automobiles, both cars and trucks.

Cars used in carrying mails and express, to rural and outlying regions.

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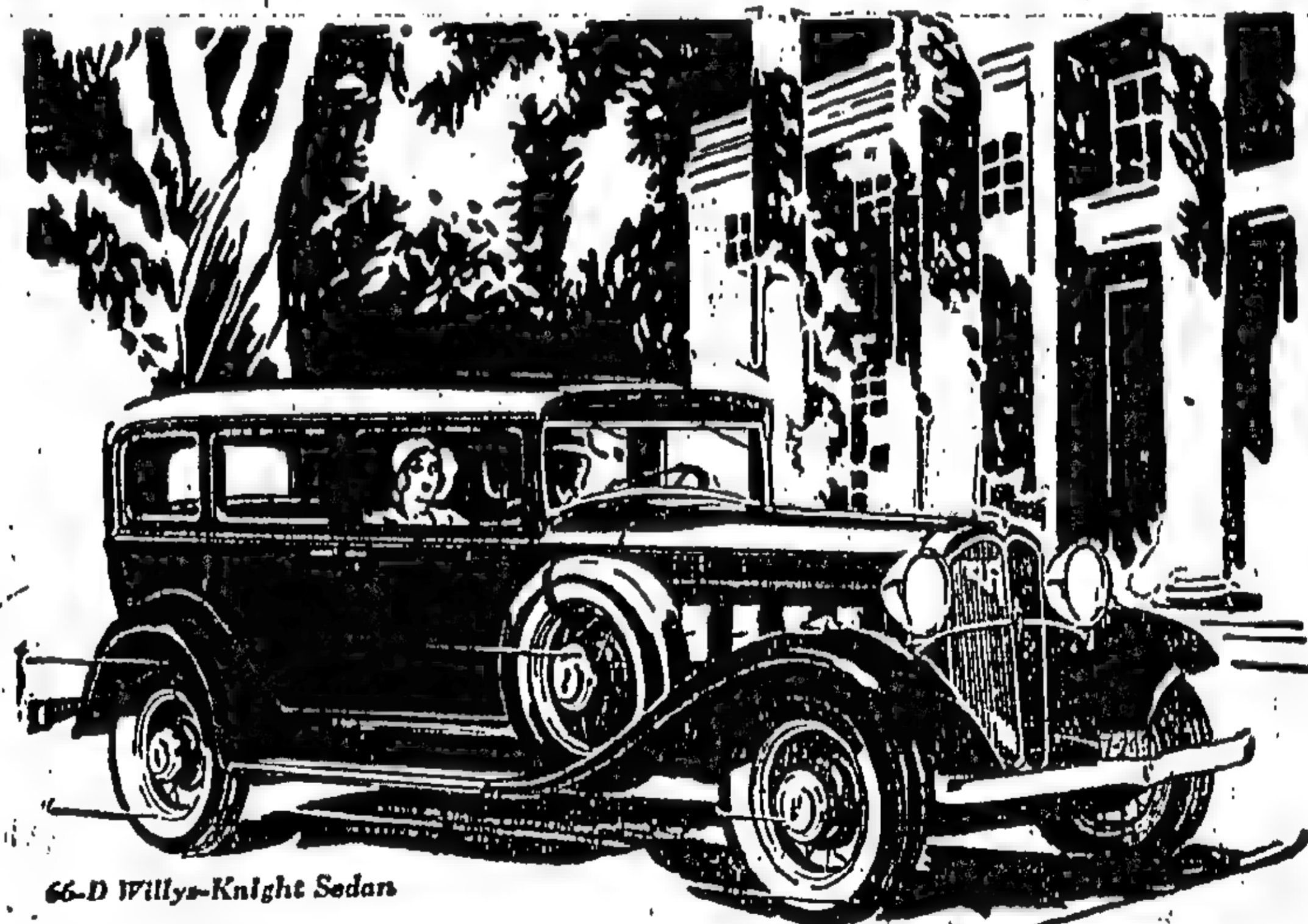
Now check through all of these and you will find that ninety per cent, and probably more, of all

automobile mileage is essential. Certainly very little of it is luxury.

And this applies to all countries, and territories, not alone to the United States. Business depression, or any other thing, will not rule out this kind of traffic. It must be continued and we have barely started the development. It is only in the past few years that the world has started to fill its real transportation needs, the total of which none of us can even estimate, because transportation makes transportation needs grow.

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**FLAT TIRES AND
WHAT TO DO.****Brakes Should Not
Be Applied.****MAY OVERTURN CAR.**

Many motorists are not quite certain what is the right thing to do when a tyre goes flat when travelling at a fairly fast speed. According to one authority the best procedure when a front tyre "goes" is to take a good grip of the steering wheel, lift the foot off the accelerator, and allow the compression of the engine to slow the vehicle up. Under no circumstances should the driver attempt to apply the brakes, until the car has virtually lost most of its momentum. Should a rear tyre go flat when travelling at high speed no attempt should be made to use the brakes; their use is likely to overturn the car. A firm grip of the steering wheel, immediate release of the accelerator pedal, and allow the engine compression to do the pulling up, is the safest procedure. Whether it be a front or back tyre that goes, do not brake, as this cuts out the braking effect of the compression of the engine. When a driver suddenly runs on to a patch of loose gravel at high speed, and the vehicle commences to sway from side to side, the best thing to do is to lift the foot off the accelerator pedal, and at the same time de-clutch. The latter action removes the torque or twisting action of the driving shaft, which forces help to cause the sway. A firm grip of the steering wheel is advisable, so as to hold the front wheels to a straight ahead position, until the momentum of the vehicle drops and it is safe to lightly and intermittently apply the brakes.

SALVAGED CARS.**Methods at the Ford
Rouge Plant.**

Dearborn, Mich.
Installation of a 400-ton furnace, hot metal mixers and a baling press capable of making furnace "sandwiches" put of salvaged automobiles at the rate of almost one a minute is under way at the Rouge Plant of the Ford Motor Company. These additions involve an expenditure estimated at \$600,000 and will increase the melting facilities of the open hearth equipment by 600 tons, bringing the total capacity to approximately 2,600 tons every 24 hours.

The new machinery will be used in providing scrap metal essential to the making of steel. For the past 20 months a portion of this scrap has been obtained by wrecking old automobiles of various sizes and makes which are purchased and delivered by the company dealers. The present method is to remove all materials of salvaging value, such as glass, leather and tyres, crush the chassis and slice the resulting wreckage to sizes suitable for admission to furnace doors. Here it is mixed with molten pig iron and refined into a high quality of steel. Under the new arrangement instead of crushing and shearing into bits it will be necessary to thrust the chassis into a powerful hydraulic press which will shape them into compact bales hardly larger than bales of hay, at the rate of approximately one per minute.

A conveyor will deposit the bales in charging boxes and the boxes be emptied into the new furnaces. Following the melting process the scrap steel will be transferred by crane-swung ladles to any of nine 100-ton open hearth furnaces stationed adjacent to it. There it subsequently will be joined by molten pig iron from the Rouge Plant blast furnaces.

Heretofore the molten pig when brought from the blast furnaces to the Open Hearth Building has been temporarily stored

AEROPLANE FOR CAR.

History was made in America recently when an aeroplane was traded in on a Duesenberg car. Aeroplanes being so costly, few dealers could find it possible to make such a trade, but the Duesenberg line of cars range in price up to \$16,000.

in a single "mixer" situated at the end of the furnace line. This mixer was recently removed and sent to England for installation at the Ford Motor Company of England's new manufacturing plant at Dagenham, near London. It is being replaced by two huge storage mixers of the barrel type, each of 600 tons capacity, equipped with the latest type of safety air return engines.

Two sets of double-beamed scales so finely adjusted as to weigh from a few pounds to 100 tons will support ladles into which molten metal will, as needed, be poured in measured amounts from the mixers. These ladles will then conduct the pig iron to the open hearth furnace to be refined with the molten scrap taken from the 400-ton furnace and other miscellaneous scrap into steel of the desired analyses and types.

Ford engineers point out that the installation of the giant furnace will lower the cost of operations by reducing the difficulties attendant upon the handling of scrap on the smaller scale now in practice.

Boilers with a combined capacity of more than 1,100 horse power will take advantage of the waste heat coming from the new furnace to generate steam which will be used in powering a thousand-ton-shear operated to cut heavier types of scrap or be diverted to the main steam lines for general plant purposes. The new furnace is of the tilting type, weighs slightly less than 2,000,000 pounds and is equipped to be fired with gas, oil or tar.

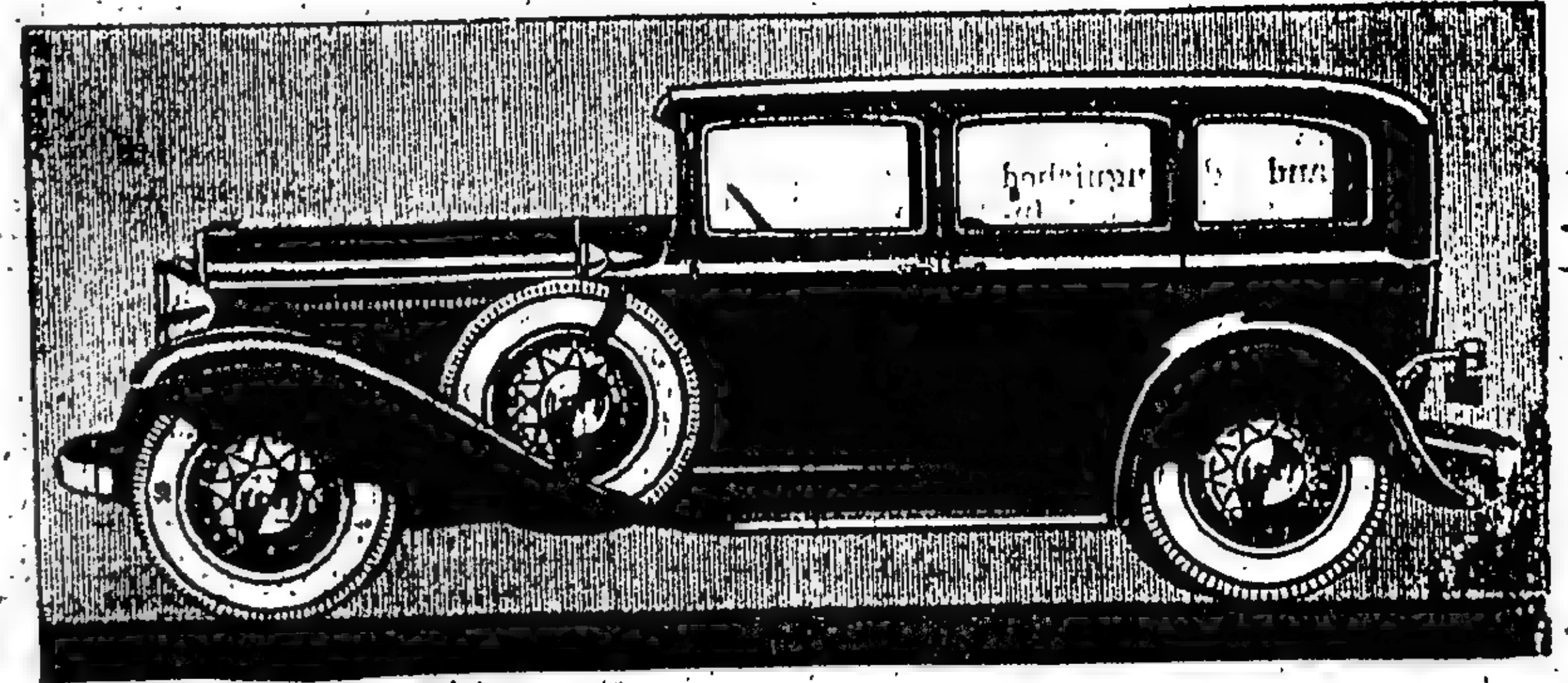
BIG AND LITTLE.**Change Over of
Motors.**

Big motors and little motors; electric motors no larger than those needed to operate sewing machines to others capable of producing 1,750 horsepower — 27,000 of them in all — are undergoing change over at the Ford Motor Company's Rouge Plant in Dearborn, Michigan. The work, now about forty-five per cent. completed, already represents an expenditure of more than U.S. \$6,000,000. It is estimated that an additional year will be required to finish the installation.

The job, said to be the most formidable of its kind ever undertaken, entails the substitution of alternating current motors for those of the direct current type. The move is a part of the company's programme of expansion in view of future needs. Benefits from the change will include reduction in motor control costs, greater safety to workmen and an easy ability to expand production facilities.

In approaching the task Ford engineers made a complete survey of the entire plant taking into consideration the various sizes and duties of the old motors. From this survey was formulated a series of schedules covering the requirements of individual buildings and departments. Practically all machinery ranging from small machines to mile-long conveyors will be affected. It has already been demonstrated that the new installation will in many instances save from one to two horsepower on each machine. Changes so far completed have resulted in a gross saving of more than 2,000 horsepower as compared with the former set-up. A similar change over at the Detroit plant of the Lincoln Motor Company, a division of the Ford Motor Company, will result in an expenditure of approximately U.S. \$600,000.

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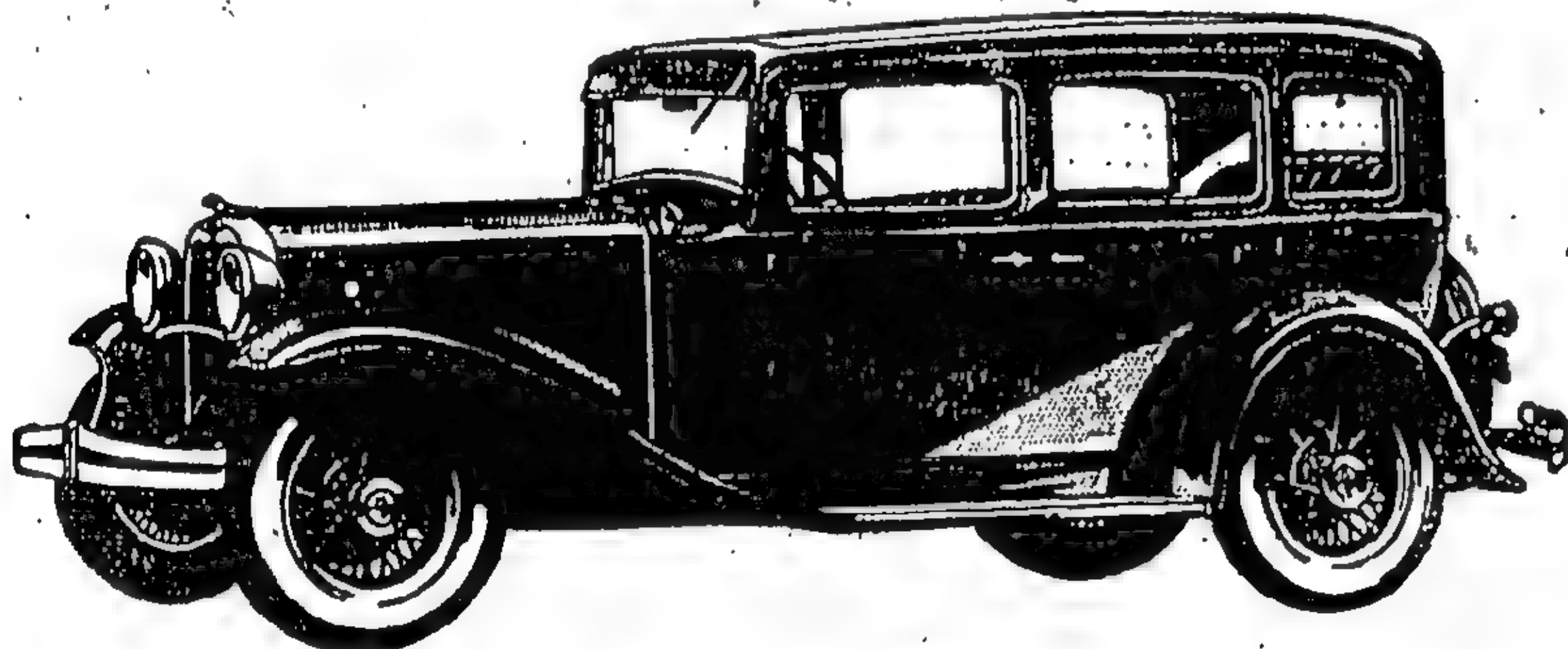
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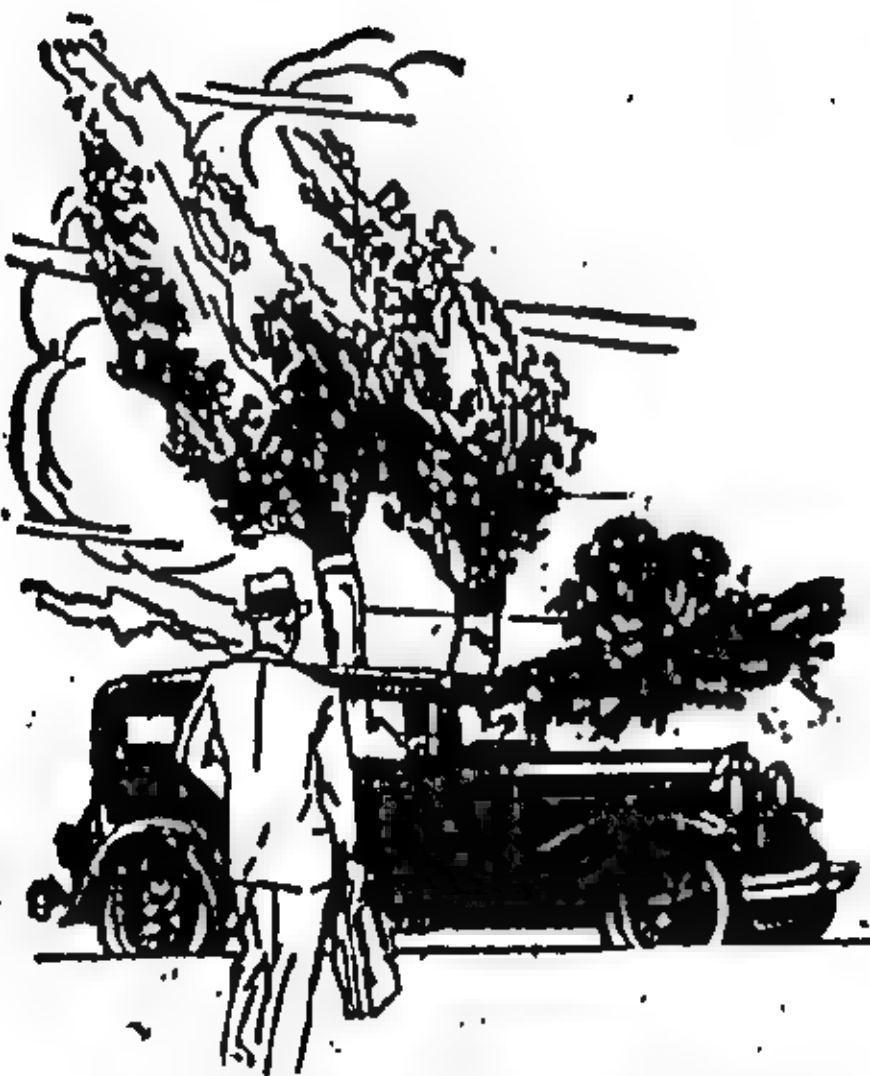
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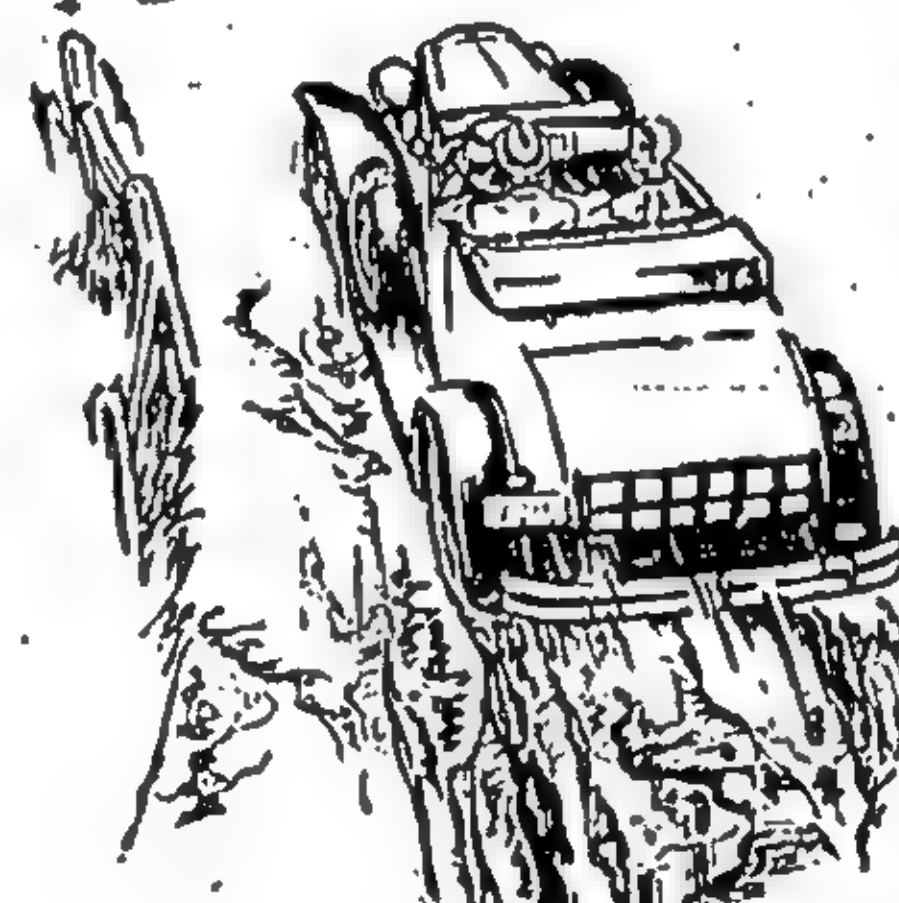
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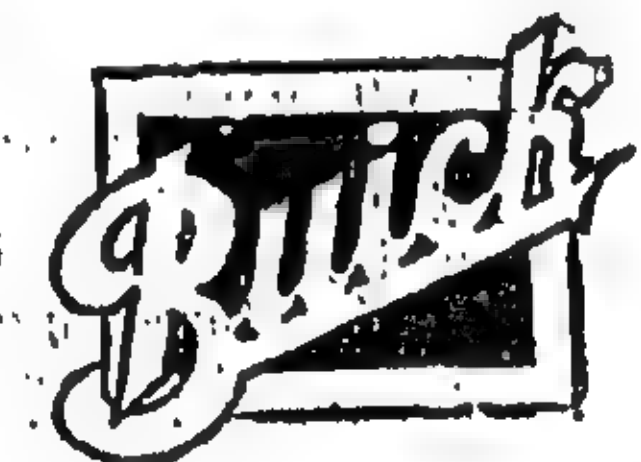


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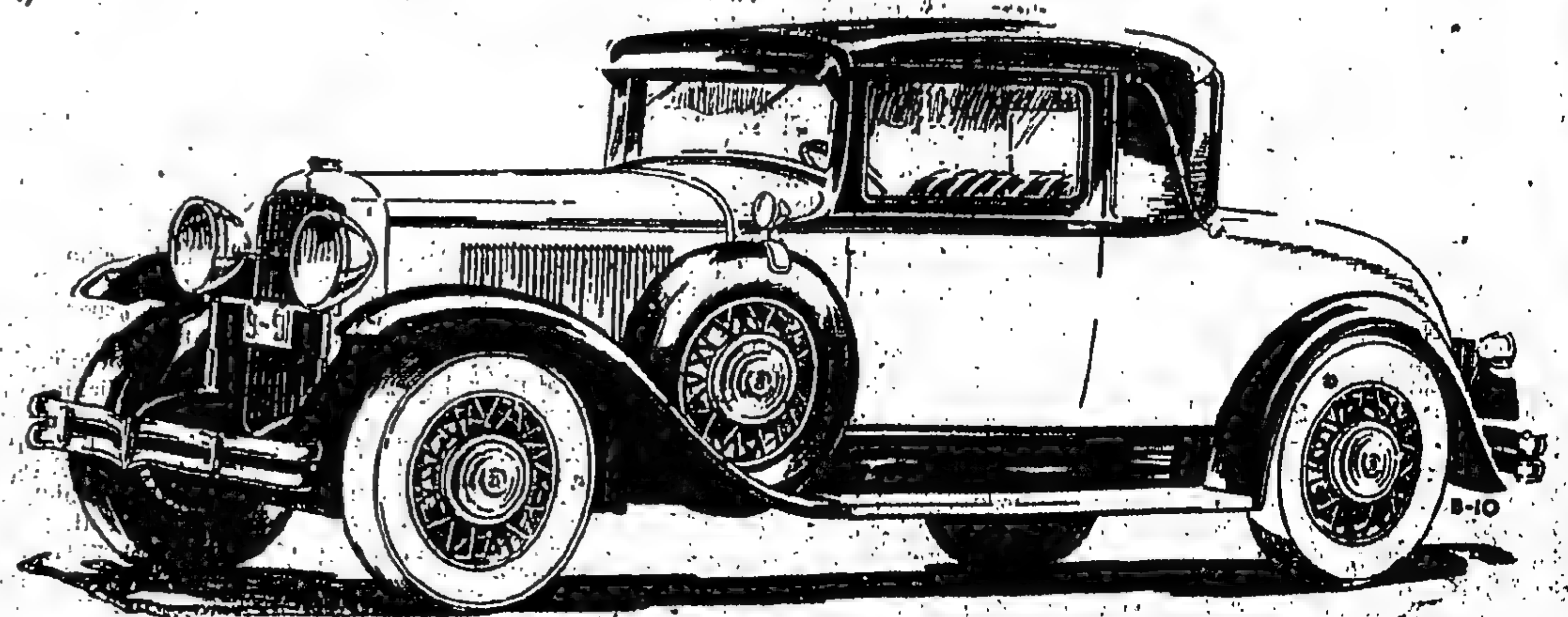
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By FRANK
ENGLAND

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Inspector General of Police.
31st December, 1931.



PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 4th day of January, 1932, at 4 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days.

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THE PRESIDENT and Committee regret that it has been found necessary to cancel the Annual Ball which it was proposed to hold on January 6, 1932.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

NOTICE.

OWING TO the Epidemic of Diphtheria the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon, will re-open on January 11 at 9 a.m. instead of January 5.

THE HEAD MISTRESS.
Hong Kong, December 31, 1931.

RIZAL DAY.

THE RIZAL DAY CELEBRATION, which is to be held at the Peninsula Hotel at 8.30 p.m. on 3rd January, has been postponed until further notice.

A. G. DE JESUS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 3rd January, 1932.

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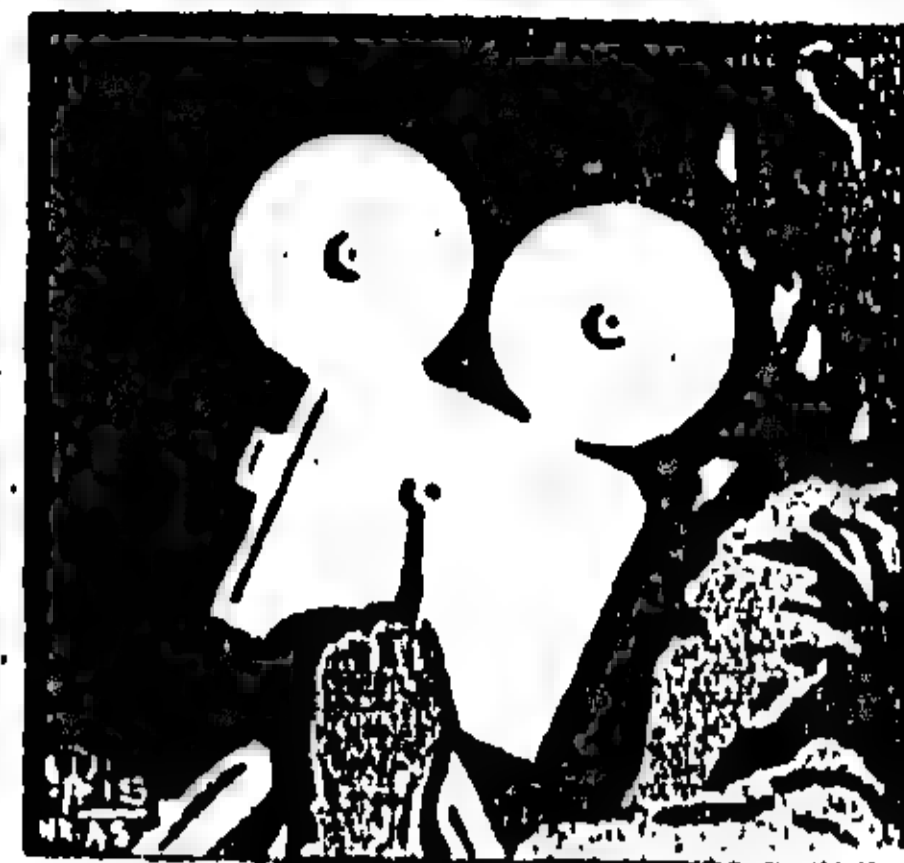
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"THE MAN IN POSSESSION" LAUGH RIOT.

We know very few young women who wouldn't like to solve the servant problem as does Irene Purcell in "The Man in Possession," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre. For if Robert Montgomery wouldn't suit them as a butler we don't know who would.

That's what happens, at any rate, in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's screen version of the popular H. M. Harwood stage farce with the exception that Montgomery forces himself into the job where, in real life, it might take some persuasion to coax him into service.

This is Montgomery's best picture to date and in it he seems to be having as much fun as the audiences who howl at his brilliant characterization. It is purely a laughing matter from start to finish and is outlandishly spiced at several spots. However, you won't take offence and surely couldn't object to anything Montgomery says, the saintly way he says it.

Sam Wood directed the brilliant feature and did so with rare judgment for story and action valuations, confronted as he was with the task of screening almost all his action within the four walls of a tiny English cottage. His skilful handling of the pointed dialogue passages is splendid and his tempo never lags for an instant.

Charlotte Greenwood romps away with supporting honours as the maid who appoints herself Nemesis to the pseudo-butler but finds herself outpointed when he brings romance into the life of the dashing young widow lady-of-the-house. It is one of Miss Greenwood's most hilarious roles and she makes the most of it in a big way.

Among the outstanding members of the cast are C. Aubrey Smith, Beryl Mercer, Reginald Owen and Alan Mowbray, all perfectly cast.

The story concerns itself with the young court clerk who goes to the widow's home to attach her possessions for a debt. To spare her humiliation during an important dinner he acts as her butler with disastrous results. The fact that she is engaged to his blustery

"THE LYONS MAIL"

Starring Sir John Martin Harvey.

"The Lyons Mail," showing on Wednesday at the Queen's, is one of the most celebrated dramas on the English speaking stage. It is a notable circumstance that it should be translated into a talking picture with Sir John Martin Harvey in the leading part.

The story of "The Lyons Mail" is founded on fact. It is a drama of two men, one being an honest merchant who is condemned to death for a crime he did not commit, and the other being a villainous drunkard and the real criminal.

Actually, the innocent man was executed for the crime of which he was innocent, but in the picture, as in the play, reality is gilded with a romantic ending.

The cast supporting Sir John Martin Harvey includes Ben Webster, Norah Baring, Michael Hogan and Moore Marriott, who is the most splendidly versatile actor in British talking pictures and is probably the most neglected.

One of the most distinguished of English actors, Sir John Martin Harvey is known throughout the English speaking world for his long record of success in the presentation of fine plays.

"The Lyons Mail," in which he makes his first appearance in talking pictures, was one of the plays in which he appeared at the Lyceum, where he worked for fourteen years under Sir Henry Irving. In 1891 he played in "The Lyons Mail" as the tavern boy Joliquet. Now, forty years on, he has made this play live in the talking picture shape.

Ben Webster is one of the finest players on the London stage. He has played in many British films including "Downhill," "Easy Virtue," and "The Only Way."

Norah Baring made her first stage appearance in "A Kiss for Cinderella," in a part which was specially written for her by Sir James Barrie.

brother intrigues his sense of vengeance and by the time the dinner is over he is completely the "man in possession," as the title of the play indicated.

AT THE QUEEN'S FROM WEDNESDAY AN ALL-BRITISH FEATURE!



SIR JOHN MARTIN HARVEY in THE LYONS MAIL

SENSATIONAL — DRAMATIC — TALKIE —

VIVID LOVE SCENES MARK NEW GRETA GARBO TALKIE.

Greta Garbo's second all-talking picture, "Romance," adapted from the noted stage play by Edward Sheldon in which Doris Keane played the starring role for a record run, will open to-day at the Star Theatre. In the supporting cast are Lewis Stone, Gavin Gordon, Elliott Nugent, Florence Lake, Clara Blandick, Henry Armetta, Mathilde Comont and Countess Nina de Liguoro. Clarence Brown, responsible to a great extent for the overwhelming success of Miss Garbo's initial talking vehicle, "Anna Christie," again directs.

The story which depicts the frustrated romance of a foreign opera prima donna is laid in the picturesque setting of New York as it appeared in 1865.

Information is, however, that the extravagant backgrounds in "Romance" are of only secondary interest as compared with the opportunities given Miss Garbo by the plot for her inimitable brand of emotional acting, the plot being in some ways similar to that of "Anna Christie," although dealing with a totally different class of individuals. In keeping with the period, Miss Garbo will be seen in picturesque old-fashioned costumes—crinolines and hoopskirts being all the rage then—which alone should make this picture worth seeing.

Following a precedent set in her initial dialogue picture, for which the Swedish star familiarized herself with the English language, Miss Garbo undertook the study of the foreign opera star she has Italian for "Romance," in which as again an excuse for her slight accent which in the present case has been disguised with Latin phraseology.

FASHION'S FANCIES.

The girls will cover their hair for all occasions this season. So predicts Gilbert Adrian, designer of the clothes worn on the screen by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer stars.

With hats for daytime wear and evening occasion, the girls will have no opportunity to reveal their tresses.

"GOOD NEWS" SPECTACULAR TALKIE VERSION OF STAGE HIT.

"Good News," which will open on Thursday at the Star Theatre, was produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer under direction of Edgar MacGregor and Nick Grinde, with Bessie Love in the featured role.

This is a production of unusual interest, because it brings to the screen the famous Broadway success by Lawrence Schwab and B. G. De Sylva intact with many of the original cast appearing in supporting roles.

This is Bessie Love's first 100 per cent. musical comedy portrayal. She is paired with Gus Shy, the well known stage comedian, who repeats the role he made famous on the stage. Bessie sings and dances in several novel numbers and gives a performance replete with comedy material.

Other in the cast are Cliff Edwards, who needs no introduction; Lola Lane, of "SpeakEasy" fame; Delmar Daves author-actor, who scored in "So This is College," Frank McGlynn noted for his Abraham Lincoln characterizations; Tom Jackson, who was the detective in "Broadway" on stage and screen, and Abe Lyman's famous band.

Lyman's band plays the Muciel score throughout the entire picture. This is their first American engagement since returning from a triumphant European tour, where they were featured in London's Kit Kat Klub.

Sammy Lee, M-G-M's director of dancing ensembles, staged the spectacular chorus numbers as well as individual dancing specialties.

The music and lyrics by De Sylva, Brown and Henderson includes the popular "Good News," "Varsity Drag," "Lucky in Love," "The Best Things in Life are Free," "He's a Ladies' Man," "Walk Collegitt," "Flaming Youth," "Happy Days," "Tall Song," "To-day's the Day" and "Girls of Pi Beta Phi."

Arthur Stewart Hull, stage actor, will be seen in the role of the Russian ambassador in "Mata Hari."

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H. M. Harwood

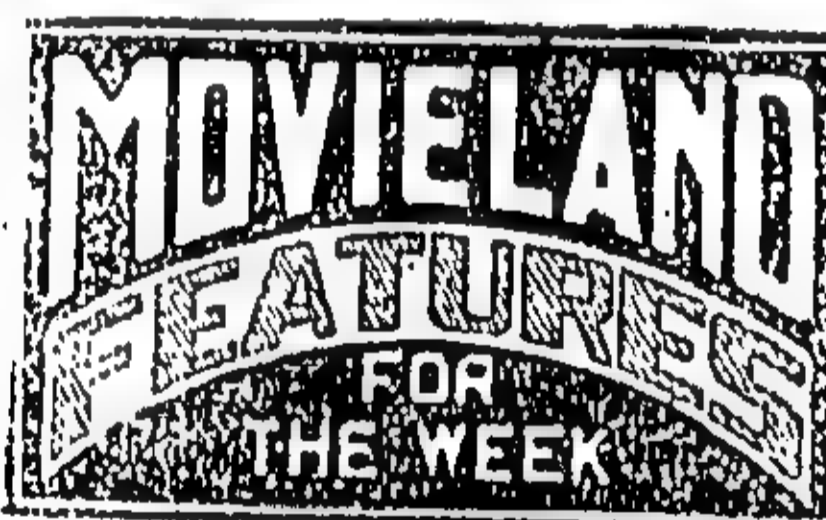
BRITISH BEST RETURNS TO THE QUEEN'S.

"The Ghost Train," by Arnold Ridley, tells of a "haunted" station. A junction on the Great Western main line, through which a train from nowhere to anywhere shrieked its way, never missing the anniversary of the night when a train plunged through an open bridge into the river below, drowning the driver and many of the passengers.

On the tenth anniversary a party of passengers were stranded at Fals Vale Station through the tomfoolery of one of the passengers. Their presence interfered with the plans of the stationmaster, and the Cornishman of dubious character did his best to harrow the feeling of the held-up passengers by narrating the fate that years before befel the train, and doing his best to drive the unwanted people away. But Teddy Deakin, the chatterbox fellow with a sceptical mind, laughed him to scorn and resolved to wait.

The stationmaster, however, had succeeded in creating an atmosphere of gloomy despair and expectancy, and it required all the ingenuity of Teddy to hold his fellow-travellers in check when an unheralded, unscheduled train rushed through the station to the accompaniment of whirling wheels, rush of steam and clatter as it tore along. What did it all mean? You must not miss the dramatic denouement in this thrilling film, which will be shown for the last time on Tuesday.

Madge Evans will be permitted a wardrobe of twenty costume changes in M-G-M's "Courage," starring Robert Montgomery. All of these outfits will be designed by Adrian.



STAR THEATRE.

Daily at 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

To-day and To-morrow.—Again Greta Garbo triumphs in her talking successor to "Anna Christie," she comes again in an outstanding success of the year, "Romance" with Lewis Stone and Gavin Gordon.

Tuesday and Wednesday.—United Artists all-talking laugh sensation, "Three Live Ghosts," Thursday to Saturday.—"Good News" the original collegiate musical comedy with the original music and lyrics, starring Bessie Love, Mary Lawlor, Cliff Edwards and Lola Lane.

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"3 LIVE GHOSTS," STAGE HIT. NOW A TALKING FILM.

Among the Broadway hits to have been acquired by the movies for reproduction with sound is "Three Live Ghosts," the famous comedy-drama, the screen manifestation of which will be on exhibition at the Star Theatre beginning from Tuesday.

Free from the confining shackles of the stage, "Three Live Ghosts," which when originally produced had but the one setting of the interior of "Old Sweethearts" home, is now played before a series of picturesque backgrounds including the famous Scotland Yard (London's Police Headquarters), the mansion of a millionaire peer, the slums of Whitechapel, the tempestuous World War front during the heat of battle, and London Town at the time of the armistice celebration.

Commented upon as "brilliant" by the nation's press when it began its long run as a play, "Three Live Ghosts" is said to be considerably greater entertainment as a motion picture.

The comedy of the play suffers nothing through these changes. The complete and minute adventures of the three soldiers who returned to London Town and found they were listed as "dead" are told with all their original pathos, humour and drama. The merry chase they lead detectives as one and then another of the three steps on the toes on the law, is told with all the colour and dash of the play, heightened by the greater latitude of treatment permitted by the motion picture camera.

The famous Garbo hob will be entirely covered in her newest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "Mata Hari."

TUESDAY ONLY

THE RETURN OF

The GREAT BRITISH SUCCESS!!

Some of the Enthusiastic Press Comments!

Daily Mirror — A surprisingly good picture.
Sunday Express — "The Ghost Train" is expertly done.
Daily Sketch — It is a boon and blessing to bored cinema-goers.
Evening News — An excellent comedy thriller.
Daily Express — Positively good entertainment.



ADDED ATTRACTIONS
"TOYLAND" "CINE MAGAZINE"
A KIDDIES' SPECIALITY SOMETHING NOVEL

WIVES FOR HIRE

NINGPO WOMEN'S HARD LOT

DUTY TO POSTERITY.

(By C. L. C.)

Special to the "Sunday Herald."

Hundreds of books have been written and published about China. Her traditions, and the ways and psychology of her people, are presented to the world in a gilded frame. We read of the wonders of this vast Celestial Empire, and inwardly marvel at the Chinese people's philosophies; their morals and their stoicism. But in reality none of these works on China, by foreign authors, give us an exact picture of the true China as known only to her own people. There are many things in this "Land of Mystery" which will for ever remain dark to us.

In writing this article, I do not pretend to be an authority on things Chinese. Perhaps I am just as much in the dark as the average sojourners in this great Empire. But, as a newspaper reporter for some years in North China, I had the exceptional opportunities to discover some most amusing as well as pathetic passages in the lives of the Chinese.

Woman Out East.

It may not be generally known that in some provinces wives of indigent husbands are hired out in the same manner as a farmer in the Western countries would hire a dog or a horse for stud purposes. To put it more crudely, a woman is hired out to do her duty to posterity.

Of course, it is common knowledge that a woman in the East is only a chattel. She is often sold and bought over and over again, but it is certainly beyond human comprehension that a woman can be hired out to another man by her own husband—a man for whom she left the protection of her parents' roof to be his partner in life.

As I write the picture of Wong Ah Shi, bedimmed with tears, floats before me. When I first met her, she was wash amah in a European family in Hart Road, Shanghai. About 28 years of age, Wong Ah Shi was full of life and vigour, and on each visit to my friend's house, I heard praises for Ah Shi. She was, in short, a model wash amah, if my friends were to be believed.

A Duty to Perform.

One day, while we were having tea, Ah Shi came into the room with tears in her eyes. Sobbing convulsively, she told "Mississsee" that she had to go away as her husband had hired her to another man. The information staggered us. We did not fully realise what it all meant at first, and after tactfully questioning her, we were told that it is a common thing for poor people of her native province, which was Ningpo, to hire their wives to their more fortunate compatriots.

We enjoyed Ah Shi to refuse her husband's request; even to the extent of giving her all necessary protection against the wrath of that callous man, but all of no avail. She claimed that it was a duty that she could not shirk.

Wife's Virtues Sung.

The next day, Ah Shi packed up, and amid tears she left my friends. I am perhaps a "Nosey Parker" but my reportorial instinct was roused. I tracked Ah Shi to her new home, which was in an alley way off Woosung Road. Her new master and lord was a rich compradore of about 55 years of age. His lawful wife, a fat and morose woman, received Ah Shi with much warmth. She was made as comfortable as possible, but she was

distinctly given to understand that in addition to the main duty required of her, she was to do all domestic work as if she was a paid servant.

That racial of a husband then came on the scene. Smiling quite blandly, and sauntering along with a nonchalant gait, he walked up to the man to whom he had hired his wife, and began to enumerate his wife's virtues. After a long talk and several red papers had been signed, the callous renegade stretched out his hand to receive \$150—the payment for his wife's hire—from the compradore. Before leaving, he lectured his wife at some length; telling her to be dutiful and obedient to her new master, and also to respect the wishes and caprices of the lawful wife.

A Very Common Practice.

The next day, I coolly walked into the office of the compradore who had made this inhuman bargain. I told him what my errand was and demanded to see the red papers he had signed. He complied willingly. I asked to borrow them for a few hours, to which he agreed. I took the papers straight to Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, then Captain Superintendent of Police, and told him what I had discovered. I thought that I would be the means of liberating Ah Shi from a bondage which I knew she loathed.

But, alas, I was to be deceived. After listening to my story, Capt. Barrett told me that such practice was as common as the clay on which we walk. The surprising part of the matter is that only Ningpo people do such things, and as a wife is her own husband's property in China, the Police authorities could not and would not do anything to stop this inhuman practice.

Not feeling satisfied, I sought the assistance of Dr. Darroch, a well-known mission worker and an authority on China. I was told the same thing. In my exasperation I demanded to know why was not this awful truth, included in all those beautiful things one read about China in books published and written by missionaries who have spent two or three years in

China. Dr. Darroch said enigmatically, "There are ways which are dark, and better to remain dark."

A Girl and A Boy.

Not being able to do anything to liberate Ah Shi, I and her former employers keep a constant watch on her welfare from a distance. A year went by, and a baby girl was born to Ah Shi and the compradore. The advent of a girl displeased the compradore immensely, and Ah Shi's horizon was pretty dark for a time.

She paid a surprise visit to her former employers one day. She said that she had plenty to eat, and some nice clothes to wear, but she regretted very much that she bore a girl instead of a boy. Had she given that family a boy, she would have been released and could therefore return to "mississsee." As it was she had to go on for another period, the compradore having agreed to give her another trial.

Time, unrelenting as ever, marched on, and in another eighteen months or so, a boy was born. Every member of the household was jubilant. There were rejoicings and merry-making. Why not? An heir was born!

Parting Time.

The question now cropped up as to whether Ah Shi was required any longer or not. The baby was a weakling, and required tender nursing; Ah Shi was kept until weaning time. The baby grew and thrived and learned to love Ah Shi as his own mother, which in truth she was.

After weaning the baby, came parting time. Ah Shi was in a frantic state. Truly, there is no love truer and deeper than a mother's love, even a Chinese mother. Ah Shi left with her few belongings, but her heart remained for ever with the child. Before leaving the most cruel blow was dealt her. She was told in emphatic language that she must not make any attempt to see her child. The child must not know that his proper mother was other than the lawful wife at home.

Ah Shi returned to her European employers, but she was not the same care-free and joyful woman. Whenever she looked at a child a mist of tears came to her eyes.

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HOW THE MIGHTY FALL!

Sad Fate of Old Newspapers.

MERE WRAPPERS NOW.

(By C. L. C.)

Special to the "Sunday Herald."

Like Russian nobilities of the Tsarist regime fallen from their lofty pedestal, so have the American newspapers fallen. Papers that once had the power and influence to make war between nations are now used for other less dignified and harmless purposes. That Society page which had once been in the perfumed hands of a young and pretty millionaire may now be found among a heap of salt-fish in Des Voeux Road West.

Indeed, it is a sad fate that awaits American newspapers in this part of the world! What their fate might have been if they did not migrate to Hong Kong and South China is one we may conjecture. Probably they may go the way of all newspapers—printed, read, and forgotten. However, thanks to the fertile brains and ingenuity of the business world, they are not allowed to sink into graceful oblivion. Instead, they are transported into this part of the globe in large and up-to-date liners from their native shores to be publicly degraded.

You may not be observant enough, but if you are, you will no doubt see that many of the parcels you carry away from your provision stores, or it may be from your favourite fruit stall in the Central Market, are wrapped with a page from the California Sun, or the Boston Despatch, or the San Francisco Courier. Latterly you may have observed the Daily Mail, and even the London Telegraph among their unfortunate contemporaries from the Pacific Coast.

Many outside the pale of the business circle may be puzzled as to how and when comes this influx of newspapers. Well, it is all in the commercial game, and our Chinese and American business friends deserve full marks for introducing this trade—a trade made unique by the fact that it is neither governed by production nor over-production; a trade in which the demand always exceeds the output.

Some years ago, Chinese retailers in Hong Kong and Canton were faced with a shortage of paper with which to wrap the goods they sell to their customers. Local marine hawkers, who went out daily buying old British papers produced in Hong Kong, at four or five cents a copy, could not collect enough to supply retailers. Shopkeepers, always with an eye on economy, refused to buy packing paper, and Chinese newspapers were unsuitable for their purpose. What was to be done? Indeed the situation was a most crucial one, until a bright Chinese broker solved the problem for them.

The broker, according to a reliable authority, first suggested to a British firm to order a few hundred tons of old British newspapers from Home. The offer was turned down and the broker was ridiculed for his mad idea. Nothing daunted, the shrewd Chinese middleman put his idea before an American merchant, who at once jumped at the scheme. A cable was flashed the same day across to San Francisco with the order to collect all available old newspapers, pack them into bales, and ship by first available steamer.

Three months after, this strange cargo arrived. A rapid calculation was made and it was found that it could be sold with profit at \$12.30 per ton of 2,000 lb. c.i.f. The entire lot was sold out two days after arrival. More orders followed, and over there in California the news also got around with the result that several "junk" shops came into existence simply for the purpose of buying up all old newspapers that were going. Small hydraulic pressing factories were set up to bale these papers for shipment, and from that day this business has never looked backward. It simply pushed forward by leaps and bounds, with prices always on the rise. To-day's quotation is \$17.50 per ton, and supplies are limited and cannot be had unless booked four months ahead. The average monthly shipment to Hong Kong is 6,000 tons.

The irony of the whole thing was that after American merchants had more or less monopolised this trade, British firms in Hong Kong began to accept orders for this commodity and the only market they had to buy from was California. Up to the present time most of the British firms here handle this line and they buy from the same market as their Chinese and American competitors.

In a business of this nature, one country alone can never supply the

demand, and it is here again British merchants had to learn from their business rivals. Realising that the California market cannot take care of so many orders, German merchants wrote to their correspondents in Germany, who took the matter up with firms in Britain. The result is that to-day British papers are finding their way out here under the "Moon" brand and are sold at 120/- per ton of 2,240 lb. c.i.f.

IF YOU WERE WORLD DICTATOR WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

(Continued from Page 2.)

Through the constant encouragement of individual effort to overcome the impediments that nature has placed in the way of man's progress a new mentality would be gradually formed. The draining and reclaiming of Africa, of Siberia, of the deserts of Central Asia; the development of the vast sub-Himalayan forests by means intensely more powerful than those now at man's disposal, by even the conquest through science of the coldest North and the warmest areas of the Equator, the qualities now wasted in fratricidal wars would be turned to the preparations of such organizations as would render a retrograde reaction after my twenty years' dictatorship came to an end, if not impossible, at least most improbable.

Recent events have shown how great are the reactions of economic policy upon the welfare of the world. As Dictator I would break down high tariff walls and promote a real freedom of trade, subject only to the proviso that the circumstances of any given area of production might make it beneficial for the world (and not merely for the country itself) to secure temporary protection for the proper development of a given industry.

The tariff for this purpose would be scientific, and would be ordained only after expert examination of each claim. The rationalisation of industry and intensive production would be promoted, not as promoted, not as making profit an end in itself, but with a view to ensuring cultural leisure for all.

The uncertainty and speculation which hold the world in thrall so long as the value of goods depends entirely upon the precious metals would be replaced by a fixed, unvarying

exchange, whereby both gold and silver tokens and paper money (based upon the guarantees of the dictatorship) would balance goods.

Private property in the holding of shares would be encouraged; and for purposes of production and development the state might make advances to industrialists at nominal rates. But debenture holdings, with their tendency to handicap enterprise, would be discouraged.

With freedom of trade I would restore the freedom of communication and travel which now suffer from so many post-War restrictions. It would be in accordance with the spirit of the policy I have outlined to reduce the volume of legislation in all countries.

The fact that, owing to scientific discovery, more and more goods can be placed on the market should not lead to such depreciation of general values as to render men workless and poor. On the contrary, money values would be so adjusted to goods as to make it the object of the world state to place at the disposal of each consumer (for very little money value) as large and as varied a quantity of material as to make a position of leisure possible for him. He would thus benefit from the intellectual and physical advantages of the higher culture brought to his door not only by his proper education in youth, but by courses of lectures, private but voluntary tuition, and an intellectual and explanatory series of visits to important cities and the countryside.

You will see that the broad general principles of the exercise of my dictatorship would be to secure the prevention of war, to break down the animosities and barriers to good will, to provide scope for both national and individual self-expression, and to seek to give each citizen capacity and opportunity to share in the rich heritage which the human race as a whole, and not merely some portions of it, should receive, by reason of the toll, the teaching and the sacrifice of past generations.

And then, when my twenty years' dictatorship was over, I should hope and believe that the better world for which I had prepared would not so easily fall back into the state of spiritual, intellectual, social, political and economic anarchy which has been the fate of mankind up till to-day.

NEXT CHANGE

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Fear But
MONEY!

Mother's Millions



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COMING ATTRACTION



THE SECRET
WOMAN IN A
GREAT MAN'S LIFE
Constance
BENNETT
in
**THE COMMON
LAW**

JACK HOLT IS SAME IN REAL
LIFE AS ON MOVIE SCREENS;
HAS ENJOYED VARIED CAREER.

With the world more or less filled
with prosaic, work-a-day folk, meet-
ing a character like Jack Holt, the
star of Columbia Pictures' "Diri-
gible," now at the Central Theatre,
is a refreshing novelty.

Holt, in real life, is exactly the
kind of a man he appears to be in
his pictures. Early in life a set of
doting parents insisted upon groom-
ing him for a career in engineering,
but from the first an innate love of
excitement led him on a career of
adventure that reads like a story
book.

First a cowpuncher, then in
rapid succession mining prospector,
freight packer and movie stunt man,
he plunged into a whirlwind of ex-
citement. His advent into the
movie came at a time when the
spell of hard riding, quick shooting
"western" still had its grip on the
public and Holt's rise to stardom in
this type of picture was meteoric.

With the coming of the talkies
Holt quickly adapted himself to the
new medium, and his performances
in "Submarine," "Flight," "The
Donovan Affair," "The Squealer,"
"The Last Parade," and others at-
test his mastery.

But it is off the screen where
Holt carries on the tradition of
exciting days that have become so
closely associated with him. His
ranch in the hills back of Hollywood
is the scene of the fastest polo
matches played on the Coast, and
Holt is considered one of the best
players on the movies colony. Polo
to him, has become the means of
cramping the excitement of a couple
of days into an hour, and as played
by him, the hard riding, hard hit-
ting game developed on Long Island
has suffered not at all.



MOTHER REALIZES DESIRE IN CAREER FOR DAUGHTER.

Her mother's suppressed desire
for a stage career made Olga
for a stage famous actress and
opera singer.

Balked at every turn by her
family in her stage ambition, Mme.
Bacanova's mother determined that
her daughter should have the op-
portunity she missed.

At an early age, the girl was
enrolled in the school of the Moscow
Art Theatre, finally attaining full
standing. She not only enacted
dramatic roles, but also sang lead-
ing parts in operatic productions.

Coming to America with "Carmen-
cita and the Soldier," in which she
sang the role of "Carmen," Mme.
Bacanova remained to enact the
role of the nun in "The Miracle,"
and then was lured into motion pic-
tures.

The talking screen threatened to
abruptly end her career, but arduous
study conquered the difficulties of
language.

She has a featured role in "Are
You There?" hilarious Fox Movie-
tone musical farce featuring Bea-
trice Lillie, which comes soon to
the Central Theatre.

Hamilton MacFadden directed.

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OVER SHADOWS ANY PICTURE EVER MADE!

He sensed her coldness,
and love was torn by
doubt and suspicion!

"DIRIGIBLE"

A story of glamorous adventure and
romance . . packed with dynamite, a
thrill which comes once in a lifetime . .

with

JACK HOLT
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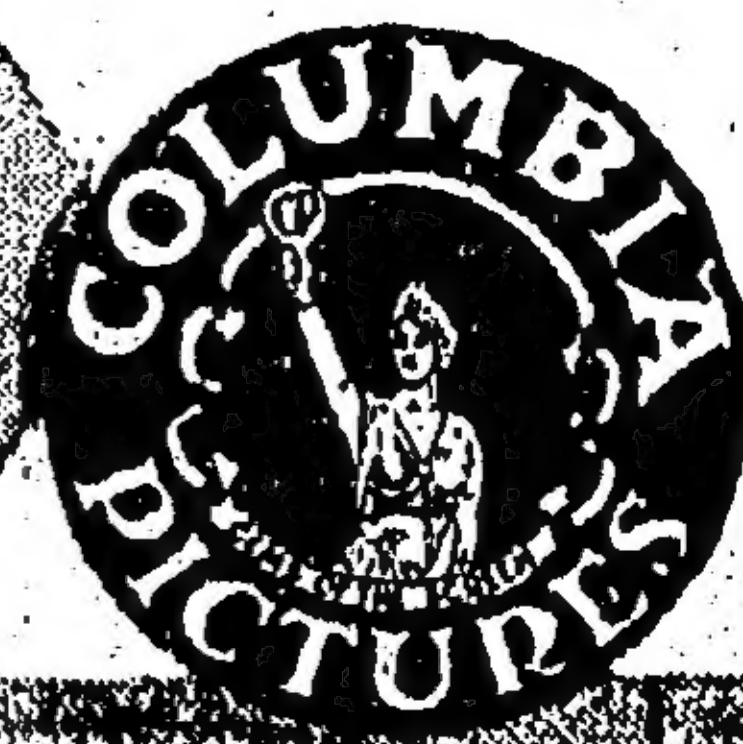
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PICTURE



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Lt. Comdr. Frank
Wilber Wead, USN.

Adaptation
and
Dialogue
by
Jo Swerling



NEW TYPE OF FILM USED IN MISS BENNETT'S NEW PICTURE.

One of the most irritating phases
of the movie stars' otherwise plea-
sant work has finally been conquer-
ed by Science.

Science, that is, in the shape and
form of Hal Mohr, President of the
huge amlights used by studios to
furnish light for motion picture
photography. So much illumination
is ordinarily required of these
powerful lamps that they generate
greater heat, for example, than you
experience on a nice hot summer
day at the beach, causing aggravat-
ed cases of artificial sunburn among
movie actors and in many cases
painful skin troubles. Imagine
taking a scene wrapped in furs
under those lamps.

Mohr has gone far toward
eradicating this evil. In filming
"The Common Law," for instance,
Constance Bennett's new picture for
RKO Pathe, coming soon to the
Central Theatre, he used the newly
perfected super-sensitive film. The
advantage of this film was that it
required only one-third as much
electric lighting as ordinary film,
reducing by just that much the
heat and glare upon the players
without in the least affecting the
quality of the photography.

Another advantage of the new
super-sensitive film is its economy
of money and power-energy, and its
improvement of performances and
personnel morale, which has been
apt to sink to low ebb under the
willing influence of the old lamps.

"The Common Law" is not the
first picture Mohr has photographed
with the new camera equipment.
The pioneer picture shot with the
super-sensitive film was "A Woman
of Experience," starring Helen
Twelvetrees. The revolutionary re-
sults achieved in this production
encouraged studio officials to shoot
"The Common Law" with similar
film.

Mohr, who has photographed fifty
or sixty features, has many other
contributions in the advancement of
cinematography to his credit.

A Drama of the Daring — Over There and Over Here



BOYD DINES STAFF OF
"BEYOND VICTORY."

There was one day during the
filming of the Pathe picture,
"Beyond Victory" that the players
and studio staff associated in its
making will not forget.

It happened to be the birthday of
Bill Boyd, who heads the cast of
featured players, and the genial
Pathe star entertained as his guests
at luncheon the entire cast, company,
and staff of technical and mechani-
cal workers. Some fifty or more
guests sat at the long table in the
Pathe Studio "Mess Hall" ranging
from Director John Robertson to
the set watchman.

Among the players who were
Boyd's guests were Zasu Pitts, Lew
Cody, Marion Shilling and Mary
Carr, who appear in the sequence of
"Beyond Victory," which features
Boyd.

This unusual picture which comes
to the Central Theatre soon, deals
with the civilian lives of five men,
trapped on a war mission and al-
most certain of death. The five
pre-war sequences tell entirely
separate stories and are linked to-
gether only by the sixth. The
soldiers are portrayed by Boyd,
Lew Cody, Jimmie Gleason, Fred
Scott and Russell Gleason.

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COOK AND TAILOR
STAR'S-BEST FRIENDS.

Edmund Lowe has been asked many peculiar and embarrassing questions during his stage and screen career, but the one which he believes takes the prize was put to him during the filming of the Fox romantic drama, "Transatlantic."

Lowe had just disembarked from the de luxe ocean liner, "Transatlantic," from which the picture gets its name, when he was met on the gangplank by a young reporter who asked, "What in your opinion, Mr. Lowe, are the two most important personages in a movie star's retinue?"

"The cook and the tailor," laughed Lowe, "that is if you want to play romantic roles."

"You may be the world's greatest lover," he added, "but you can't put the proper spirit into a kiss if you have a double chin and your coat doesn't fit. The audience will laugh when it is supposed to breathe a deep sigh. Imagine how far Romeo would have gone with Juliet if he had been built along the lines of Irvin S. Cobb, or if he had appeared under the balcony dressed like Will Rogers, estimable gentlemen and highly successful in their own lines, understand, but not cut out for screen lovers."

Lowe practices what he preaches at all times. In addition to careful watching of the calories, Lowe also goes in for strenuous exercise, tennis, golf and swimming being his favourite methods of discouraging surplus poundage.

Lowe likes good clothes and spends more on his personal wardrobe than any other man in Hollywood. While most actors have clauses in their contracts requiring

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ADDED ATTRACTION.

LATEST
FOX MOVIE TONE
SOUND NEWS

PICTORIAL

"OVER THE VIKING
TRAIL"

their employers to supply all costumes, Edmund Lowe insists upon the privilege of buying his own and has them perfectly tailored, even the uniforms such as he wears in the Marine epics in which he and Victor McLaglen co-starred.

Lowe gives a good idea of what the well dressed man should wear and how the perfect lover should act in "Transatlantic." The ladies whose hearts he causes to flutter are Lois Moran, Greta Nissen and Myrna Loy. Other prominent are Jean Hersholt, John Halliday, Earle Foxe and Jesse DeVorska. The production was directed by William K. Howard.

"WHITE-HAIRED BOY" HITS
ANEW WITH RED-HEAD STAR.

In two successive pictures, "Love Among the Millionaires" and "Her Wedding Night," the young, light-haired comedian, Skeets Gallagher, has supported the red-headed Clara Bow, and both of these pictures have been directed by Frank Tuttle, who also made Miss Bow's other recent success, "True to the Navy."

"Her Wedding Night," which will show at King's in a pure farce comedy. The story deals with a moving picture star who, on vacation, gets into a matrimonial mixup which seems headed for the Paris divorce court until something happens and turns the bridal pair toward a honeymoon in Venice.

KING'S THEATRE

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TRANSATLANTIC

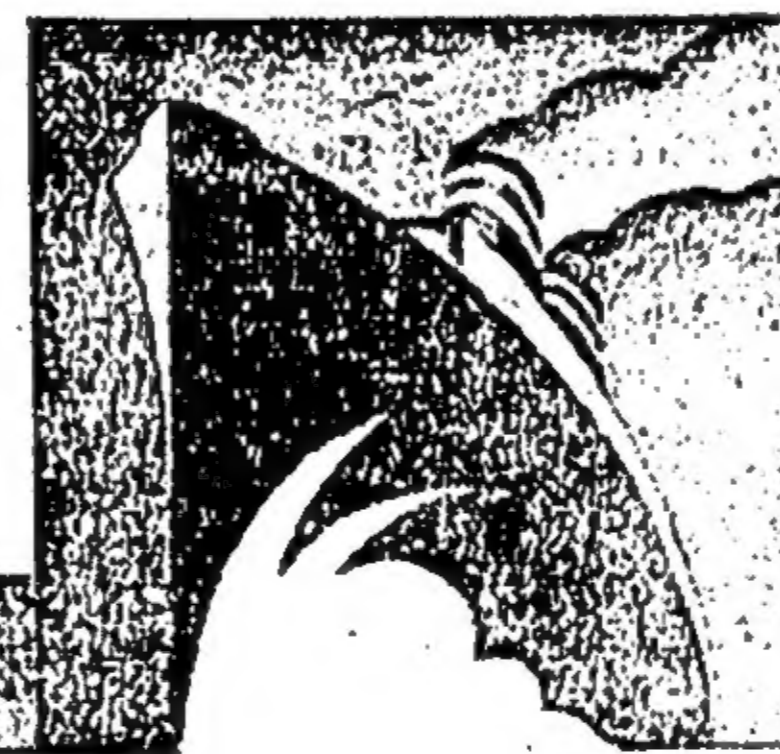
with
EDMUND LOWE
LOIS MORAN

John Halliday
Greta Nissen

Jean Hersholt
Myrna Loy

Directed by William K. Howard

Five days at sea that re-
chart the courses of six
persons' lives.



The madness of moonlight,
the glamour of gambling for
fortunes, hearts, lives.

NEXT CHANGE!

CLARA BOW Her Wedding Night



ADVANCE
BOOKING
DAILY
FROM
11 A.M.

AMBITION BROUGHT LOIS
MORAN STARRING ROLES.

Ask twelve different motion picture stars to what they credit their success and you will get twelve different answers. And one of these answers will be "Ambition," if by chance your famous dozen happens to include Lois Moran, who plays the leading feminine role opposite Edmund Lowe in the Fox romantic drama, "Transatlantic."

For ambition is the spur that lifted the dainty and talented Lois from obscurity and placed her at the top of fame's ladder at the tender age of 21. She has often called it the locomotive without which the train of life soon comes to an abrupt stop.

After completing her education in Pittsburgh, Pa., her home town, Miss Moran went to Paris with her mother, where she realized her first ambition, to be a dancer.

But no sooner had she achieved success in the ballet of l'Opera than the call of ambition again sounded this time from the direction of Hollywood. Returning to this country it was not long before she was given the leading role in "Stella Dallas" and after that in "The Music Master," "Behind That Curtain" and "The Dancers."

Still Miss Moran was not satisfied. There were other fields to conquer, among them the stage, so last fall she obtained a leave of absence from her screen duties, took the first train for New York where she was acclaimed one of the season's brightest stars in the Broadway production of "This Is New York."

Meanwhile, she has been studying voice culture with great enthusiasm and according to fine musicians has a mezzo-soprano voice of opera calibre. However, she does not intend to desert the screen for grand opera, at least not for the present.

"But I may try it in the future," she says. "In pictures one can never tell."

Miss Moran is but one of three prominent screen actresses who support Edmund Lowe in "Transatlantic." The other two are the Nordic blonde, Greta Nissen, last seen in "Women Of All Nations," and that exotic beauty, often termed the screen's bad girl, Myrna Loy.

SCREENLAND FEATURES
FOR THE WEEK

Daily at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

To-day to Wednesday: — Edmund Lowe and Lois Moran in "TRANSATLANTIC," the new Fox romantic drama, with Greta Nissen, Myrna Loy, John Halliday and Jean Hersholt.

Thursday to Saturday: — Clara Bow in "HER WEDDING NIGHT," a Paramount's 20th Birthday Jubilee Picture with Ralph Forbes, Charlie Ruggles and Skeets Gallagher.

CALIFORNIAN ROYALTY IN
CLARA BOW'S NEW COMEDY.

Clara Bow, in her latest starring picture, "Her Wedding Night," has in her supporting cast the great-granddaughter of the first governor of California, Natalie Kingston, a motion picture actress since 1924 and a former stage dancer.

While there is small connection between being the great-granddaughter of California's first governor-General M. G. Vallejo, and playing in a motion picture with Clara Bow, the two facts together make Miss Kingston a person of more than ordinary interest. Miss Kingston's maternal grandfather, Count Agoston Hervaszy, introduced the wine grape into California. Her grandmother, Natalie Hervaszy, led the grand march with President Abraham Lincoln on the occasion of his second inaugural ball.

In "Her Wedding Night," which is the next attraction at the King's, Miss Kingston is a member of a cast which includes Ralph Forbes, Charlie Ruggles and Skeets Gallagher.

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SIX-DAY TRIPS TO THE MOON

The Lunar Jungle.

PROFESSOR'S DREAM OF A £400,000,000 ROCKET SHIP.

Six-day trips to the moon is the possibility foreshadowed by Professor John Q. Stewart, of Princeton University, in his new book, "Science To-day."

Professor Stewart believes that within the next 100 years our descendants will be able to travel to the moon in rocket-propelled ships, and that the journey will take about six days.

A vehicle for carrying men to the moon, he explains, must be designed for a speed of several miles a second, and must be equipped with a power plant developing billions of kilowatts. If the present trend of increase in vehicular speeds continues, the journey to the moon will offer no difficulties that science cannot solve.

"The principle of the skyrocket is the only suitable one known for propelling the moon ship through empty space above the earth's atmosphere," he explains. "A lunar flight in the next few decades is definitely out of the question."

"One principal difficulty is that no known fuel yields the enormous energy required. The preparation of an adequate fuel is not a matter for simple engineering development, but primarily for fundamental research in physics."

Professor Stewart estimates the cost of the rocket ship at £400,000,000.

Man travelling from the earth to the moon must adjust himself to the altered gravity upon his arrival on the moon, the scientist says. A person weighing 175 lb. on earth would weigh only 29 lb. on the moon.

Looking at the earth from the moon, the cosmic traveller will see this globe low on the lunar horizon and about four times as large as the full moon seen from earth. The earth, Professor Stewart adds, will appear bluer and much brighter than we usually consider it.

The earthly explorer of the moon will find it "a mineral jungle." Steep spines of bright rock, level expanses of darker slag, tumbled masses of ore, ashes from ancient volcanoes and wrecks of meteorites, will cover most of the lunar landscape.

The scientist further explains that the traveller will find no soil, no water, no clouds, no air and no animal life.

REPARATIONS.

Conference to Be Held at Lausanne.

ALL POWERS AGREED.

Rugby, Friday.

All the Powers concerned have now agreed to the British suggestion that the International Reparations Conference should be held at Lausanne.

A proposal that proceedings should begin on January 18 has been accepted by all Governments with the exception of the French which, owing to pressure of Parliamentary business, would prefer January 20.—British Wireless Service.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

London Stock Exchange Closed to Business.

STERLING HIGHER.

Rugby, Friday.

The London Stock Exchange was closed to-day in accordance with custom on January 1, as also were the metal and produce markets.

The House will also be closed to-morrow.

Quiet conditions prevailed in the foreign exchange market, but sterling rates were generally quoted at somewhat higher levels.—British Wireless Service.

POLITICAL CRIME IN GERMANY

BELATED WARNING

AMAZING GROWTH OF THE NAZI POWER

Berlin.

The growth of political crime and of fraudulent financial deals has made the Prussian Minister of Justice warn the judiciary that the national interest demands sentences of severity corresponding with the heinousness of the offences, especially in a period of crisis like the present. Penalties have become severer during the last few months, but political crime is beginning to get out of control.

It does not always assume penal forms, and even when it does it is so often backed by authority and by local opinion that the victims are defenceless. In the country districts—especially east of the Elbe—the Nazis have established a kind of terror, and Republicans are menaced sometimes with open violence and sometimes with social and economic boycott. Little by little, the Nazis are building up a State within the State. They have never been more confident than they are now.

It is, incidentally, an error to suppose that all Germans are "pessimistic" or "in despair," for the Nazis are full of exuberant optimism and the Communists, too, are hopeful. These two movements together make up nearly half the voting population. It is the business world and the responsible leaders in the Government and in the Socialist party who are downhearted, and they are certainly in a very black mood at the moment.

There can be little doubt that the warning of the Prussian Minister

of Justice will not perceptibly arrest the growth of political crime. It has come too late for that, and too many judges and magistrates sympathise with the Nazis now that they have made such triumphant progress, for in addition to sympathy there is also a certain nervousness about what may come in Germany and a certain desire to keep in well with the right side in good time. And then, although not quite so incoherent, and so utterly dreary, and involved as the manifestos of Dr. Brüning, the Prussian Minister's manifesto can have no popular appeal at all, although it is meant as a warning to the public as well as to the judiciary. Such manifestos are simply not read, because they are unreadable.

Both the Prussian Government and the Government of the Reich have lost the ear of the public, whereas the Nazis (and to some extent the Communists) have it more than ever.

The Centre party has begun to modify its attitude, so it would seem, and is inclined to let the Nazis take a turn of office in Hesse to begin with and later on perhaps in Prussia as well. The Government (which has some lurking sympathies with the Nazis, although these sympathies are not shared by Dr. Brüning) and the Socialists are losing courage, and those who are responsible for the conduct of affairs are getting tired.

The tension is such that almost any break would come as a relief. The mood that expresses itself in the words "Let the Nazis run the country for a while" is gaining ground. It may find expression in the defeat of Dr. Brüning when the Reichstag meets again in February.

KING'S GREETINGS.

New Year Message to Lord Mayor of London.

Rugby, Friday.

Replying to New Year's Greetings from the Lord Mayor of London, King George has telegraphed a message in which he says: "We live in times fraught with difficulties, but during the anxious days through which we have been passing the courage, determination, and sacrifices of all classes to restore the fortunes of our beloved country have filled me with admiration. It is in the spirit of confidence that I send my greetings to the citizens of London, praying that under divine guidance the coming year may bring a light of hope and strength of united purpose to our lives and renewed prosperity to our land."—British Wireless Service.

SPANISH CURRENCY

Monarchical Notes Still in Use.

Madrid.

While the Spanish Republic already has some Republican stamps, its supply of paper and silver money with monarchical effigies is destined to last for many years to come. Last Summer, the Minister of Finance, Señor Indalecio Prieto, issued a decree requiring all paper money to be taken to the bank of Spain or one of its branches to be stamped with a Republican seal. Not much attention was paid to the decree, however, except in such places as Sevilla and Cadiz where many of the imaginative Andalusians became alarmed, and decided to change what paper money they had into silver, thereby obliging the Bank of Spain to send big silver remittances to satisfy the demands of the citizens.

In view of the slowness with which the bills were being brought to be stamped, the time-limit was extended to November 20, and now, by a more recent decree, has been extended until January 31, 1932. By

NAPOLEON'S ASHES

Austria May Get Credit If She Returns Them.

Paris.

Further financial aid to Austria in exchange for permission to transfer the ashes of Napoleon II. from Vienna to a permanent resting place beside the tomb of his father in the Invalides is being discussed by Napoleonic admirers.

The idea is to grant Austria credits first and then resume diplomatic conversations on the question. It is hoped the ashes can be brought to Paris on the wings of an aeroplane, piloted, if possible, by the famous airman Dieudonné Coste, because Napoleon II, who died at the age of 21, was dubbed "l'Aiglon," or "Eaglet," and immortalised under that name by Sarah Bernhardt in the title role of Edmond Rostand's play.

The aeroplane would retrace the road taken by Empress Marie-Jose when she returned to Austria.—International News Service.

January 15, 1932, the Bank of Spain is obliged to hand out only bills which have the seal of the Republic on them.

Postage Stamps.

Shortly before the fall of the monarchy, new issues of 25, 50 and 100 peseta paper notes were made in large quantities, and it is probable that it will be some time before the Republic prints any new paper money. It is hoped that when the time comes, however, they may be printed in Spain. Up until now all the engraving and printing of money has been done in England.

In the line of stamps, practically all these in use to-day either have the words "República Española" stamped over the effigy of ex-King Alfonso XIII, or are 100 per cent. Republican stamps. The most common of these is the red 30 centimos stamp (used for letters within Spain and to countries of the Hispano-American postal convention) which bears the picture of Pablo Iglesias, the late founder of the Socialist party.—United Press.

HOME FOOTBALL.

Everton and Arsenal

Defeated.

VILLA'S BIG WIN.

Wednesday Successful

At Home.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

London, Last Night.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Birmingham 4
Chelsea 4
Derby C. 5
Grimsby T. 1
Huddersfield 1
Aston Villa 2
Leicester C. 1
Newcastle 2
Sheffield U. 5
Blackburn R. 2
Manchester C. 3
Arsenal 1
Bolton W. 3
West Ham 3

Second Division.

Bradford C. 9
Burnley 1
Bury 1
Chesterfield 1
Leeds U. 1
Manchester U. 2
Millwall 4
Notts Forest 3
Preston N.E. 2
Preston W. 3
Tottenham 3
Wolves 3

Third Division (South).

Bristol R. 4
Cardiff C. 5
Clapton O. 2
Coventry C. 5
Exeter C. 4
Gillingham 4
Luton T. 2
Norwich C. 2
Queen's P.R. 1
Swindon 5
Torquay 3
Crystal Pal. 3

Third Division (North).

Accrington 3
Carlisle U. 3
Darlington 0
Gateshead 4
Halifax T. 2
Hull City 2
Rotherham 2
Stockport C. 1
Tranmere R. 1
Wrexham 7
Crewe A. 2

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Aberdeen 1
Clyde 2
Dundee U. 0
Falkirk 2
Hamilton A. 3
Kilmarnock 5
Leith Ath. 1
Morton 2
Queen's P.R. 4
Rangers 4
Partick T. 4

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

South Africans Beat

England.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Twickenham.

Before 70,000 spectators the Springboks Rugby fifteen gained a meritorious victory over a representative England fifteen by a try and a dropped goal (7 points) to nil.

RIVIERA FRAUDS.

Prince Sentenced for Nice Activities.

Paris.

Prince Djemil Toussama, who is stated to be a nephew of King Faud of Egypt, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment and ordered to pay a fine of £100 for fraud at Nice.

The case was tried in the Prince's absence, and sentence went by default. It was alleged that the Prince defrauded a masseur of £3,050 and an hotel manager of £1,030.

Some time ago he was sentenced by default to six months' imprisonment on a charge of issuing worthless cheques. The Court ordered that the two sentences run concurrently.—British United Press.

CANADA FIFTH TRADING COUNTRY IN WORLD

PREMIER TALKS

"POLITICAL EMPIRE IS PAST"

Mr. R. B. Bennett, Prime Minister of Canada, was honoured at a complimentary dinner at the Mayfair Hotel. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald (the Prime Minister), Mr. J. H. Thomas (Secretary for the Dominions), and many other members of the Government were present.

Mr. Bennett said that he would like them as fellow-citizens of a great Empire to realise that Canada with a people numbering ten millions had achieved as much as any ten million people of whom the world had record. "When you realise that we are the fifth trading country in the world you will agree that it is a tribute to the courage and resourcefulness of the Canadian people."

"The Canadian people are most desirous that there should be a firmer and stronger bond between every section of the Empire. The political Empire is past. We shall have to substitute for it another. Free association of peoples with equal status if not exercising the same functions is a very fine figure of speech, but it leaves much to be desired in the realms of actual reality."

"How it is to be accomplished is not entirely apparent. Means and methods must be found to accomplish that end or we shall perish. It is no good now to speak of concessions granted or restrictions imposed. That day has passed. There lies before us, in my judgment, the greatest opportunity that ever came to free peoples to

accomplish a great end. I feel confident from what I know of the people of these islands and of other parts of the Empire that we cannot fail. There are more eyes looking to these islands than ever looked before."

"I am still one of those who cherish the view that if we establish this League of Nations within this Empire that we may there is no problem that we will not solve and no difficulty that we will not overcome. I believe that in this self-contained Empire—for you must remember we produce everything that man requires within it—we surely must not be so lacking in prescience and statecraft as to lose the opportunity now presented to us."

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, proposing the health of Mr. Ferguson, the High Commissioner for Canada, said:

"I reciprocate most heartily the very practical as well as fine sentiments which Mr. Bennett has expressed regarding this Empire and its future. I hope most sincerely that during the conference to be held some time in June or July in Ottawa that all Mr. Bennett's ideals will be fulfilled—(cheers)—and that as a result of that conference we may find that the Dominions and ourselves are knit in one splendid unity by new bonds of mutual co-operation."

The High Commissioner for Canada, replying, said that "to achieve the end we have in view we find ourselves linked together as we never have been before and we shall give to this Empire not only a prestige and an influence in the world but a practical bargaining power which will help us to achieve anything."

WOMAN SPY.

"Fraulein Doktor" Tells the Truth.

Berlin.

"Fraulein Doktor," Germany's most famous woman spy, has emerged from retirement to disperse some of the legends which have gathered round her name. Addressing a private gathering in Freiburg, Fraulein Schragmueller—as she is now known—detailed some of her wartime activities.

Thrilling stories have been told about her secret visits to Britain and France during the war, but Fraulein Doktor revealed that she never left the area occupied by German forces. Her headquarters were in Antwerp, where she was well known as "The Golden Lady."

Fraulein Doktor's memoirs will not be published until after her death, but she revealed that she considered Mata Hari, the Javanese dancer who was shot by the French in 1916, a great disappointment.

"She failed to supply us with what we expected," said Fraulein Doktor, "and what she delivered to us was often old and unreliable material."

Fraulein Doktor has spinal trouble arising from a shot in the back.—Exchange.

CIVIC FLAG.

Official Standard of the City of Sydney.

Sydney.

The illustration of a little-known but historic and picturesque emblem—the official standard of the City of Sydney—was one of the features of an informative and interesting address on "Imperial and Australian Flags," by Mr. C. R. Wylie at the Education Department's buildings, under the auspices of the Royal Australian Historical Society.

Mr. Wylie said the standard of the City of Sydney was a flag which had never yet had an existence except on paper or parchment. It incorporated the various component parts of the city arms, crest, motto, and badge, and was designed for work.

THE FLYING SCHOOL AT HAMBLE

Success After 3 Months.

NEW SYSTEM OF AIR TRAINING.

Results of the first quarter's working of Air Service Training, the flying school at Hamble, which was opened by the Duke of Gloucester in June, show that the aim of setting up entirely new standards in flying training in this country are being achieved.

Pupils of many different nationalities are now coming to England to attend the school and to take the special "blind" flying, night flying, parachute, ground engineering and other courses. At present there is no other place where these subjects may be studied so thoroughly.

Three pilots who have gained fame for long-distance flights have gone back to "school" at Hamble for advanced instruction. For the first time a woman, Mrs. Victor Bruce, is taking a "blind" flying course, and she is to be followed by Lady Bailey.

The School is a sort of aeronautical monastery, self-contained, with living quarters for pupils on the aerodrome. The pupils are expected to devote their whole energies to their work and they all come under a carefully planned scheme of discipline.

WATCH YOUR STEP.

Rainstorm Ends Frost at Home.

MANY MINOR ACCIDENTS.

Rugby, Friday.

A rainstorm ended the sharp frost in the South Eastern countries this morning. For a short while a coating of ice made the roads so slippery that traffic was disorganised and many minor accidents occurred. The most serious, happened near Chichester where two motor coaches skidded into one another.—British Wireless Service.

New Year Slogan.

London, Yesterday. "Watch your step" was the suitable slogan for New Year revellers in London and southern counties who, going home early this morning from celebrations, found the streets coated with ice. There were many collisions and accidents, the most serious being near Chichester where two motor buses collided and ten people were injured, five seriously.

This morning the streets were like glass, while the railway tracks in some places were thickly coated with ice, causing trains to be stranded till rescued by ice ploughs.

The hospitals are full of people seeking treatment for slight injuries caused by slipping down.

In the streets and pavements there were colossal traffic jams while office workers were going to the office this morning.

There is also plenty of ice and snow in Scotland and railway companies are issuing daily reports of the depth of snow and ice in various resorts for the benefit of winter sports followers.—Reuter.

OUR FINANCES.

The financial statement for the Colony for the month of September, 1931, is as under:

Excess of Assets over Liabilities on August 31, 1931	\$11,339,109.96
Revenue from September 1 to 30, 1931	2,152,885.38
	\$13,491,995.34
Expenditure from September 1 to 30, 1931	2,528,970.02
Balance	\$10,963,025.32

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